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## Academic freedom complaint hearing held

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A university faculty committee considered an amended complaint by a former UNO assistant professor and held a hearing last week to examine the grievances.

The UNO Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee held a hearing from July 31 to Aug. 3 to consider a complaint filed by Pamela Owens, who was denied tenure and reappointment last spring.

Owens has been the center of a controversy that has included two student protests, a student-led campaign supporting her and legal actions by Owens against the university.

The committee began its hearing on July 31 by unanimously passing a motion to move into executive session for the purpose of hearing the complaint, citing the need to prevent needless injury to the reputation of the named respondents in Owens' complaint. The motion was made by Michael O'Hara and seconded by Carey Ryan.

The 17 respondents in Owens' complaint included Chancellor Nancy Belck, Vice Chancellor of Academic and Student Affairs John Christensen and College of Arts and Sciences Dean Shelton Hendricks.

Prior to moving into executive session, the committee also heard a request by computer science student Matt Osborn.

Osborn requested that the committee provide an open forum "where the public can be given a chance to speak" prior to making its decision.

"I think any committee or governing body that represents the public should be accessible to the public," Osborn said afterwards.

On Thursday committee chair James Carroll notified the *Gateway* that a public forum would be conducted later the same day. Following the conclusion of testimony by witnesses, Carroll said the hearing was supposed closed to the public.

The committee's decision came as a disappointment to several friends and family members gathered to support

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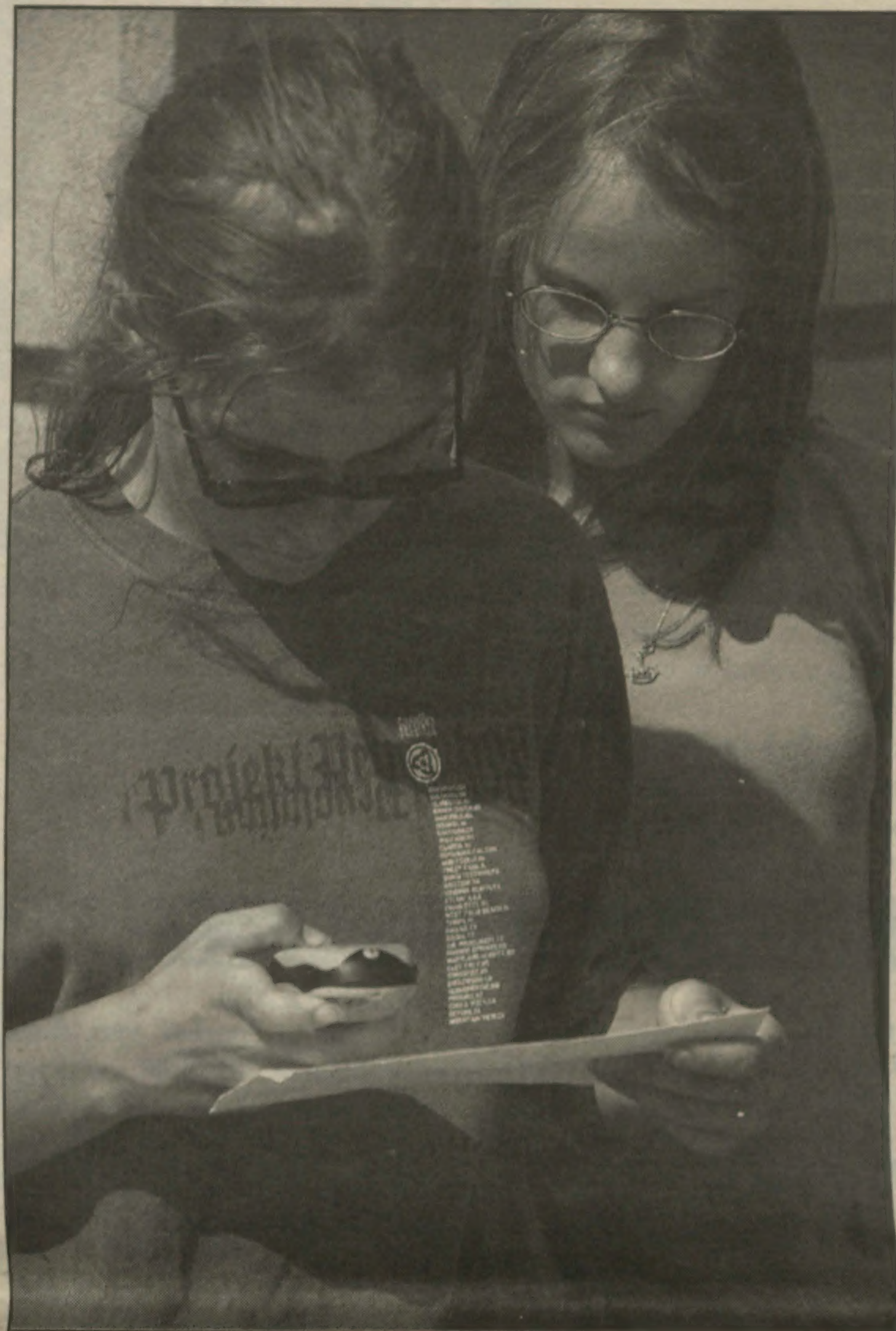


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Dana Coskika looks over the shoulder of Stephanie Packard during a GPS scavenger hunt at the Wannabe Techie Goddess Girl Scout Camp held at the Peter Kewit Institute July 17-21.

## Athletics planning effort, audit announced at July meeting

SCOTT STEWART  
NEWS EDITOR

UNO athletics will be the focus of a comprehensive planning effort chaired by a former Nebraska senator.

NU President James Milliken announced that David Karnes will lead an effort that includes an internal audit of UNO athletics, and plans to reach out to both campus and community groups. The announcement came following a meeting by the Board of Regents at Central Community College in Grand Island, Neb., on July 28.

Karnes is a graduate of the University of Nebraska's law school and filled the Senate vacancy in 1987-88 caused by the death of Edward Zorinsky. Recently, Karnes has served as the president of the Maverick Council, the official coordinating group of the campus booster clubs.

"This is a very positive step," said Regent Howard Hawks in a statement. "Dave is a long-time supporter of UNO, and I'm confident that with his leadership and participation, the issues that have been raised will be addressed in a professional manner."

At the meeting, Chancellor Nancy Belck explained the strategic planning process that

UNO athletics will follow and identified some of the problems being faced.

Belck's briefing followed reports in the *Omaha World-Herald* that said the regents were not informed about the potential controversy surrounding UNO athletics and intended to ask Belck questions regarding the high-profile budget cuts.

"UNO athletic programs are very important to Omaha and to UNO, and both the community and the campus have a significant stake in the planning," Milliken said.

Other business conducted by the regents included the establishment of a College of Public Health at University of Nebraska Medical Center, the approval of the 2008-09 operating budget requests and the renewal of Milliken's contract as president of the university.

"The College of Public Health will fill the gap in the university's ability to educate the complete spectrum of health professionals," UNMC Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Rubens Pamies said in a statement.

The meeting was also the first gathering of the regents since former regent David Hergert was removed from office by the Nebraska Supreme Court on July 7. The

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## E-billing continues with increasing student support, late payments

SALLY BROWN DESKINS  
STAFF WRITER

UNO began a new student-billing concept in January of this year, sending tuition bills via e-mail instead of through the post office.

Tammy Goldsberry, manager of cashiering and student accounts, said there have been a few complaints, but feedback has been positive overall.

Because of the department's heavy advertising and continued signage around campus, most students should be aware, Goldsberry said. Nevertheless, many students were late with their payments last semester. Midway through last semester, the office sent out letters to those who hadn't paid—a system they might continue in the fall, depending on the response.

New students to UNO will also receive a postcard or letter in the mail so they are made aware. The system is also discussed during new student orientation. Students may opt out of the system in E-BRUNO, which is stated in the mailed letters, but not in the e-mails.

The purpose of the new system is to save money, so the office encourages its use.

"We want to make sure late fees penalize

those who just do not want to pay their bills," Goldsberry said.

Students are given a one-time waiving fee option as a courtesy, which the office has always offered. This is not expected to change. Once students are given the courtesy waive to learn their lesson, they do not get another one.

"This is not intended to penalize all, we just want to help and teach students the system," Goldsberry said.

Although some students have complained, saying they do not check their UNO e-mail often, many students like the new system.

"Anything available online, I do it," said Andrea Barstow, senior marketing major. "It saves me a stamp and a trip."

Distance graduate student Richard Cayer agreed.

"I appreciate the e-billing option that UNO offers," he said. "I paid my tuition this semester in less than one minute and I earned miles on my credit card."

Goldsberry expects the program to improve more each semester it continues. The office will continue its advertising in the *Gateway* and around campus. Postcards will be sent to new students as well, but the office

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## News You Can Use

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STAFF WRITER

### Phoenix server to be shut down

Due to low campus-wide usage and staffing changes, the Phoenix campus programming system will be shut down on Aug. 14. Information Technology Services is asking for anyone who uses Phoenix to transfer all files to another location before this date. Contact ITS at [unohelpdesk@mail.unomaha.edu](mailto:unohelpdesk@mail.unomaha.edu) with any questions.

### New myMail junk e-mail filter

The campus e-mail system myMail will receive a new anti-spam service starting Aug. 7.

Spam is unwanted, unsolicited junk e-mail. According to ITS, 87 percent of e-mail received by UNO is spam, viruses, worms or other malicious content.

All students, faculty and staff will have the new anti-spam service available and enabled by default. Users may choose to disable the service in their personal

settings.

If you receive an email message with the subject "User Quarantine Account Information," this message was generated by the anti-spam program and is important to read.

For more information, visit its.unomaha.edu/antispam.php or call ITS customer services at 554-HELP.

### Auditions held for Heartland Philharmonic Orchestra

The UNO Heartland Philharmonic Orchestra and Chamber Orchestra will hold auditions for its 2006-07 season Aug. 14 to Aug. 18 at the Strauss Performing Arts Center.

The orchestra, the official concert orchestra at UNO, is open to both students and faculty or staff members. Rehearsals take place each Monday night from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the Strauss Recital Hall.

Anyone interested in auditioning should call 554-2251. Details are also available online at [music.unomaha.edu](http://music.unomaha.edu).

### New MavCards available to returning students

All students, faculty or staff members who still have not received a new red-colored MavCard can do so at the MavCard Services Office from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Support for the old style cards was discontinued on Aug. 1.

Incoming freshmen should have received new-style cards during orientation. New cards are also available for Scott Hall and Scott Village students.

For more information, visit [mavcard.unomaha.edu](http://mavcard.unomaha.edu).

### Get cash for your books

The UNO Bookstore will conduct its final summer textbook buy back on Aug. 10 and Aug. 11 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A valid student ID is required to sell back books.

Textbook listings for the fall semester are also now available.

### Welcome Week held Aug. 21 to 24

UNO invites you to join in this year's Welcome Week activities. This year's theme

is "Maverick Mojo: Welcome to it." All activities, shows and free food will be held in the Milo Bail Student Center plaza from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., according to the following schedule:

#### Monday, Aug. 21

**Theme:** Putting students first

**Food:** Meatball sandwiches, chips and pop

**Music:** *The Last Few*, rhythm and blues

**Games:** Basketball, NFL challenge

#### Tuesday, Aug. 22

**Theme:** Promoting academic excellence

**Food:** Chicken sandwiches, chips and pop

**Music:** *Anchondo*, punk/rock

**Games:** Basketball, K-2 obstacle course

#### Wednesday, Aug. 23

**Theme:** Community engagement

**Food:** Hot dogs, chips and pop

**Music:** *Sarah Benck and the Robbers*

**Games:** Dunk tank and other activities

#### Thursday, Aug. 24

**Theme:** Clubs and organizations fair

**Food:** Ice cream

**Music:** DJ

## Crime Log

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STAFF WRITER

### Friday, July 14, 2006

12:40 p.m. Staff member reported theft of personnel property from Arts and Sciences Hall. Incident occurred at 12:20 p.m.

### Saturday, July 15, 2006

3 p.m. Student reported vandalism at University Village. Incident occurred between 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.

### Thursday, July 20, 2006

3:17 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from Engineering Building. Incident occurred between 3 p.m. and 3:09 p.m.

### Friday, July 21, 2006

4:30 a.m. Two non-affiliated individuals driving recklessly and under the influence of alcohol were removed from campus.

### Friday, July 28, 2006

3:44 a.m. Douglas County Emergency 911 contacted Campus Security to report a

burglary at University Village.

### Saturday, July 29, 2006

2:08 a.m. Campus Security Officers responded to a call of a female screaming in a parking lot. Incident involved a boyfriend/girlfriend dispute. Alcohol was involved.

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Protesters line the sidewalk and stand in the shadow of the Golden Sower outside the Nebraska capital building where lawmakers upheld a ban on same-sex unions.



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# Student government electronic vote fails over summer recess

TAYLOR MULLER  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

A decision by student government to vote by e-mail resulted in a grievance and consideration of voting accountability.

The grievance was filed by *Gateway* News Editor Scott Stewart, after he realized an e-mail vote would take place.

"I filed the grievance because student government was not following their own rules," Stewart said. "E-mail voting isn't fair; it hides the results of the voting from the public."

According to the grievance, on April 20 the Student Senate went into closed session, where plans were made to conduct a e-mail vote to confirm a new chief administrative officer. The original nominee, Laurie Dutcher, was subsequently not confirmed by the senate.

This decision to vote electronically is strictly unconstitutional under the current student government constitution and by-laws, Stewart said.

"The purpose of a grievance is to keep

[student government] in check and make sure they are fulfilling their obligation to their constituents," he said. "Without it, we'd be losing a check on our representatives."

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using the system and  
the system working.

Aaron Gilliland, the speaker of the Student Senate, assured senators the position would be filled during the beginning of the summer recess. Due to the difficulty of organizing a confirmation meeting, Gilliland suggested an e-mail vote take place to confirm the nomination.

"The position of CAO is appointed by the speaker, and there has to be a confirmation vote by the senate," Gilliland

said. "We chose to vote by e-mail since a lot of the senators would be out of town during the summer."

It was later brought to Gilliland's attention that the senators must be present at a senate meeting in order to vote, according to the student government constitution.

Section III of the constitution states, "The phrase 'Vote of Student Senators' shall be defined as the vote of those Senators present and voting 'yea' or 'nay' at a convened Student Senate meeting."

Although the confirmation vote failed to pass by the required two-thirds majority, Chief Justice Dave Jarvis said the grievance still had merit.

"The problem with the e-mail vote was that they didn't reach quorum on it by deadline, so there was nothing they could do. The e-mail vote became null and void upon not reaching quorum," Jarvis said. "However, I understand why the grievance was brought up, and I think that it held merit."

Gilliland agreed that while there were flaws with e-mail voting, an electronic voting

system would help student government, both in terms of accountability as well as efficiency.

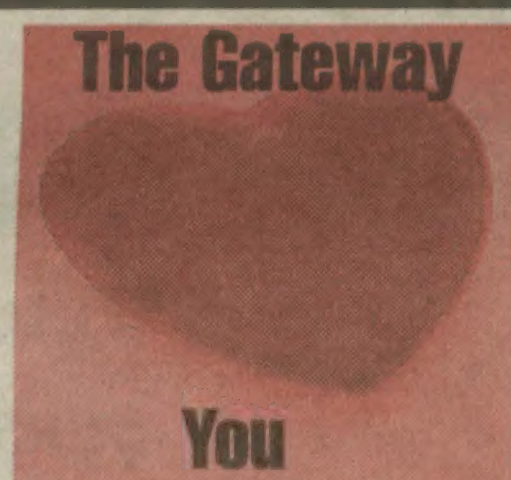
"Voters like to know how their senators vote in each issue. I would like to see the results on every issue posted on the Web site," said Gilliland. "I honestly think that if we had that available, it would change a lot of students' opinions about their senators."

"Grievances are a necessary part of student government because they force the student court actually interpret the rules," Gilliland said.

"I think this was a good example of using the system and the system working," he said.

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Owens, including Jay Filipi, a UNO secondary education and women's studies senior.

"It seems all too often qualified women are denied positions," Filipi said.

John Hewitt, attorney for the committee, cited a passage of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act that excluded "judicial proceedings unless a court or other judicial body is exercising rulemaking authority, deliberating or deciding upon the issuance of administrative orders" from consideration as a public meeting.

The committee procedures, available at unomaha.edu/facsen, state that, "The committee, in consultation with the president or chancellor and the parties to the complaint shall exercise its judgment as to whether the hearing shall be public or private."

According to Carroll, the committee will make its decision and provide a recommendation to the UNO administration. The Board of Regents will then consider the matter.

Possible recommendations by the committee include reappointing Owens for a seventh year, granting her tenure or denying both of those options. In her complaint, Owens sought reappointment with tenure.

"[The committee] can recommend the seventh year," said Richard Ream, Owens' husband. "No one remembers a faculty member ever being denied a seventh year at UNO, except Dr. Owens."

The committee's recommendation will not be immediately available to the public, according to Carroll. Because of the sensitive nature of the complaint, UNO administration is allowed an unspecified amount of time to consider the complaint, according to Carroll and the committee procedures.

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court found Hergert guilty of falsely reporting a material expenditure and obstructing government operations when it upheld his impeachment by the Nebraska Legislature.

Governor Dave Heineman announced on July 21 that 13 candidates had applied to fill the vacancy, although Dennis Berry, mayor of McCook, Neb., withdrew his application last week.

"This is an exceptionally qualified group of applicants and a credit to the important role the University of Nebraska plays in the success of this state," Heineman said in a statement.

The governor's office expects Heineman to name a replacement for Hergert soon. The governor interviewed applicants on July 31 and Aug. 1.

The regent's next meeting is scheduled to take place on Sept. 8 in Lincoln.

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will primarily communicate via e-mail.

Nevertheless, Goldsberry realizes e-mails are sometimes hard to keep track of.

"We're open to any suggestions on how to get the word out to students," she said.

## Student Organizations and Leadership Programs Invites You To Get Involved On Campus

### Sorority Formal Recruitment

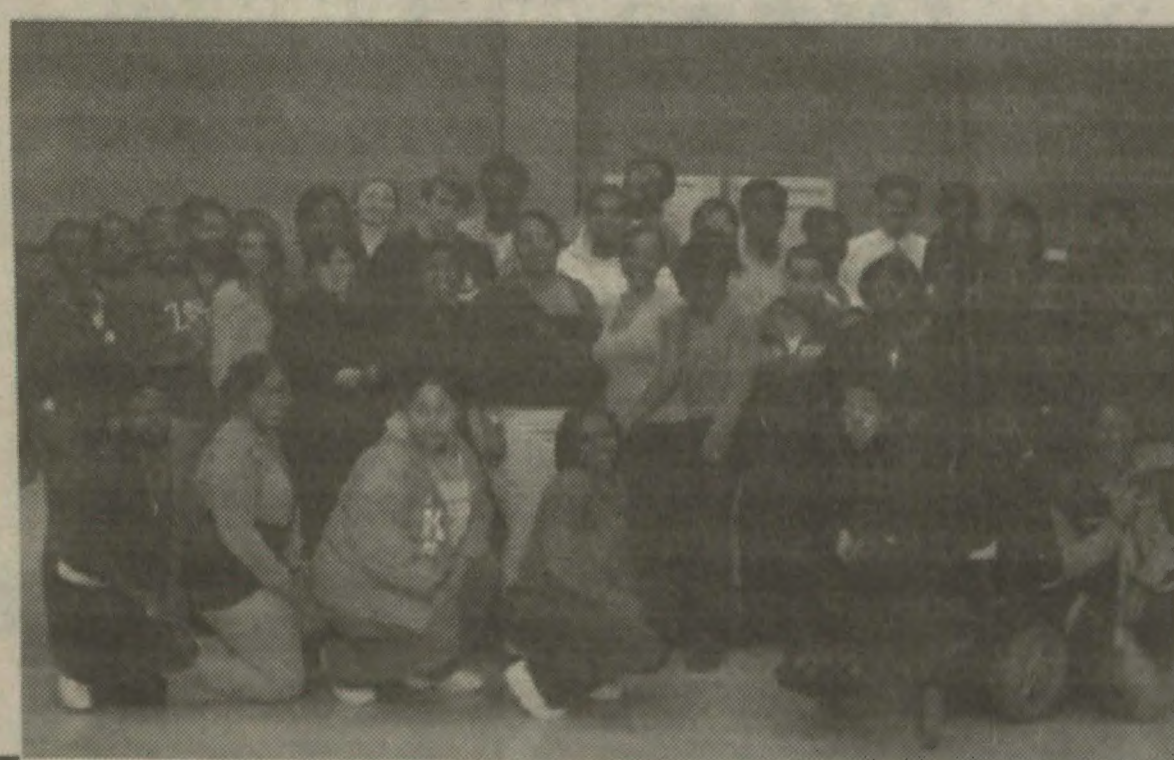
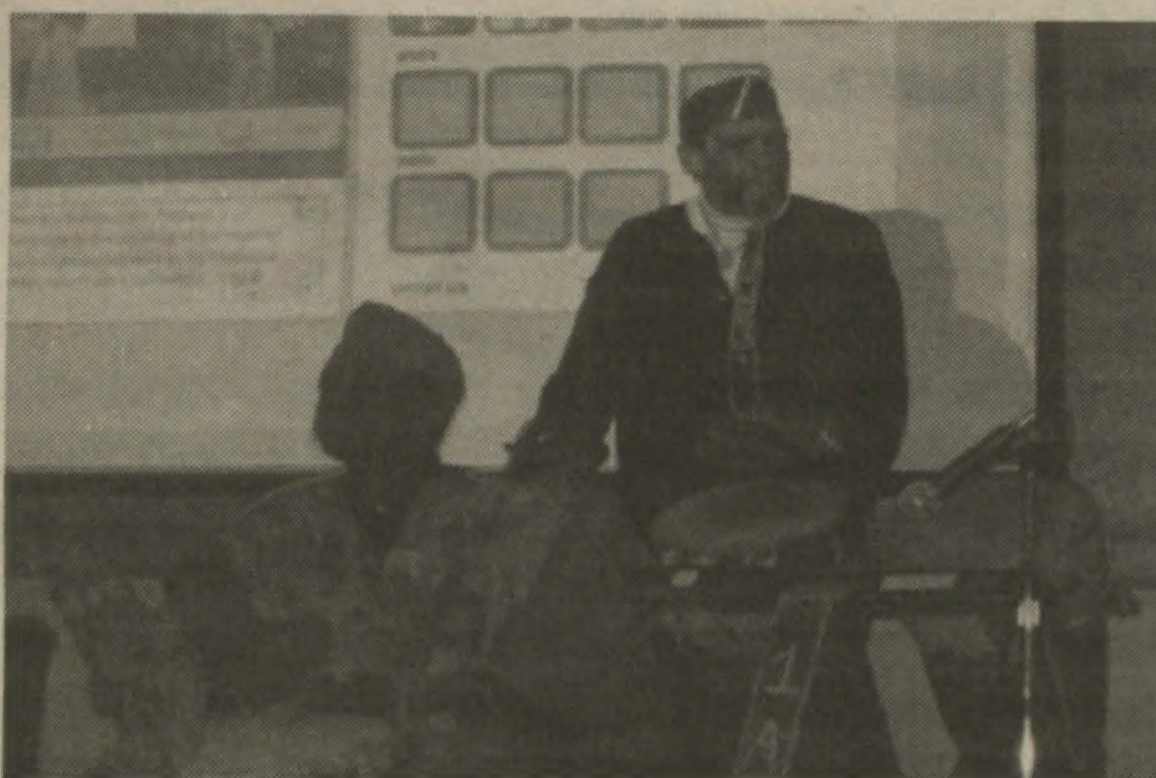
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### Fraternity Formal Recruitment

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### Latino Heritage Month Activities

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The limited on-campus parking lots are limited to students with parking permits.

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## Options to ease parking problems

ELIZABETH ZEILINSKI  
STAFF WRITER

Nearly half of graduating seniors named "parking or parking facilities" when asked to name an aspect of UNO that could be improved, according to a survey by the Office of Institutional Research. To avoid frustration with campus parking policies, it's important to be aware of common parking pitfalls.

Parking options for UNO students fall into three groups: parking for students without a parking permit, parking for students with permits, and parking for students with permits and parking structure access.

Students without parking permits have limited on-campus options, but can take advantage of a free shuttle from the parking garage at Crossroads Mall during the fall and spring semesters. The shuttle runs from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays. Students can park on levels 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6, but cars parked on level 2 or on the surface lots can be towed without notice.

Crossroads shuttles load and unload at the southwest corner of the Crossroads garage, located near the new Target department store, every 15 minutes. The shuttles make stops at the Durham Science Center and the Milo Bail Student Center.

Paul Kosel, assistant manager of campus security, said the parking structure at Crossroads usually has 2,500 cars from UNO students in it during the school year. This represents an even larger number of students, as they arrive and leave throughout the day.

Students with parking permits have additional options besides the Crossroads garage. They can park on South Campus and take a free shuttle to the main campus during the fall and spring semesters. The South Campus shuttles run from 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. weekdays.

Students with permits can also park at St. Margaret Mary or First Christian Church, both of which are located on the northern side of Dodge Street across from North Campus.

A final option is the parking structure located south of the Arts and Sciences Building. The structure is restricted to students with a parking permit and a parking structure access card before 12:30 p.m. on weekdays. In the afternoons, students without an access card can access the structure for \$1.00.

Parking structure access cards are available for \$30 and a \$5 deposit for the card. A limited number—about 2,300—are available for sale each year, Kosel said. The cards are sold over the counter at the Campus Security office to students who do not purchase them by mail after July 18.

The access cards are already sold out for the fall semester.

Although the access cards are limited, all students are able to purchase a parking permit for on-campus parking. Permits can be purchased at the Campus Security office.

Another important thing to keep in mind is that Campus Security is authorized to issue tickets to vehicles parked on campus in violation of parking regulations.

The fee for parking in a lot or space not authorized or parking in a reserved stall is \$30. Parking in a handicapped space can result in a fine of \$50.

Revenue from parking violations are used for the campus parking fund. In fiscal year 2005, Kosel said, the university took in about \$167,000. This was a decrease from 2004, when \$184,000 was generated.

There are no planned lot closings scheduled for the beginning of the fall semester, Kosel said.

"This may change somewhere down the line," he said. "But this fall should be just like last fall; everything should be open."

## Ombudspersons aid students, staff

JAMEE CLASEN  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

It's a helpful problem-solving resource available to every student, faculty and staff member at UNO. However, after hearing its official name, most students respond with an extremely confused, "the what?"

The office of the ombudsperson has existed at UNO since 1970, yet few people know what it is they actually do. This year, the ombudspersons hope more students will become aware of their services and use them as a resource to resolving their problems.

Ombudsperson is a Swedish word meaning "person of the people." The official purpose of the office is to receive and investigate complaints from all levels of the university.

"We have wrestled with the definition of the ombudsperson in the past," said Rebecca Wymer, one of the university's three official ombudspersons. "We are kind of like a troubleshooter. We listen to people, and try to guide them. A lot of time students don't know what to do, so we guide them through the policies or procedures and help them solve their own problems."

As stated on the ombudspersons' Web site, [unomaha.edu/ombuds.php](http://unomaha.edu/ombuds.php), the ombudsperson does not have the official authority to impose a solution to a situation. However, they can investigate, negotiate and try to bring conflicting sides together in an attempt for resolution.

"If nothing else, it is important

to represent the student or whoever is complaining, and to make sure that they are being heard or their position is being seen," said Wymer, who has been an ombudsperson since 1999.

UNO Student Regent Steve Massara agrees that the ombudsperson is a helpful, yet under-utilized resource.

"The problem is that many resources like this at UNO are not widely publicized or made aware of to students," he said. "Students

can take advantage of the ombudsperson service in cases of discrimination or if they feel they are not getting fair treatment from the dean of their college."

Another student government member agreed with Massara.

"I think many people are afraid of going to an administrator about an administrator," said senior Alex Williams, a member of the UNO Judicial Board.

Wymer, however, feels the ombudsperson program is successful because they remain neutral in situations.

"We can step outside of the situation to help the student organize their thoughts and figure out how to best approach it," she said.

Often, the issues they deal with are simply a matter of redirecting students to the proper authorities or explaining difficult university policies.

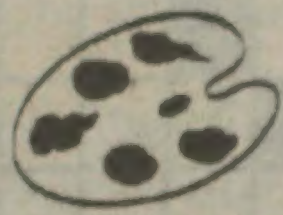
"We have helped students in areas such as financial aid, grade appeals or something as simple as a letter from the university that the student doesn't understand," Wymer said.



photo by Patrick Doty

Librarian Rebecca Wymer also serves as one of three ombudspersons on campus.

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# International students voice thoughts over ongoing Israel, Hezbollah conflict

COLLEEN O'DOHERTY  
STAFF WRITER

Omaha residents, along with the rest of the world, are bombarded with images of the violence happening in Israel and Lebanon. It is easy to become desensitized and disengage from the reality of the Middle East.

Of course, it is not so easy for those who call that region their home. UNO welcomes students from all over the world into its doors, and among the nationalities welcomed are Saudi Arabians.

Saudi Arabia borders Iraq and has only Jordan between it and Israel, Lebanon and Syria. This offers residents of Saudi Arabia a unique perspective on the hostilities between Israel and the terrorist organization Hezbollah.

"Since the crisis has started, we feel really sorry for the people in the area," said Hameed Albrahim, a Saudi Arabian international student. "All the people."

Albrahim went on to say that he and his friends often talk about what is happening.

"We really care," he said. "This kind of crisis creates hate in the region, which is going to affect the whole area—the whole Middle East."

Although he feels safe in Omaha, Albrahim still feels concerned about peace in the Middle East.

"The world is a small village," he

said. "If we're in the United States, we should care about innocent people."

There is concern that the increase in violence will increase terrorist thoughts in the region, Albrahim said. He also said that he was concerned about hearing people choose sides and cast blame.

"We shouldn't try to take the judge position," he said. "We need to research about the whole thing."

Fellow Saudi Arabian student Iyad Aodlooj agreed.

"All we want is peace, for all [of] the Middle East," he said.

Albrahim explained that the conflict is a complicated situation and blame does not solve anything. He also emphasized the importance of trying to make peace.

"I would like to call the people that believe in peace...to express their feelings," he said.

Aodlooj said he also feels bad about the conflict.

"A lot of people [have] died in both countries, which are our neighbors," he said. "I don't think they deserve that."

It is important for powerful countries like the United States to try to further the peace process and contribute money for the reconstruction effort," Aodlooj said.

He believes American efforts are especially important.

"I think that only America can stop this thing," he said.

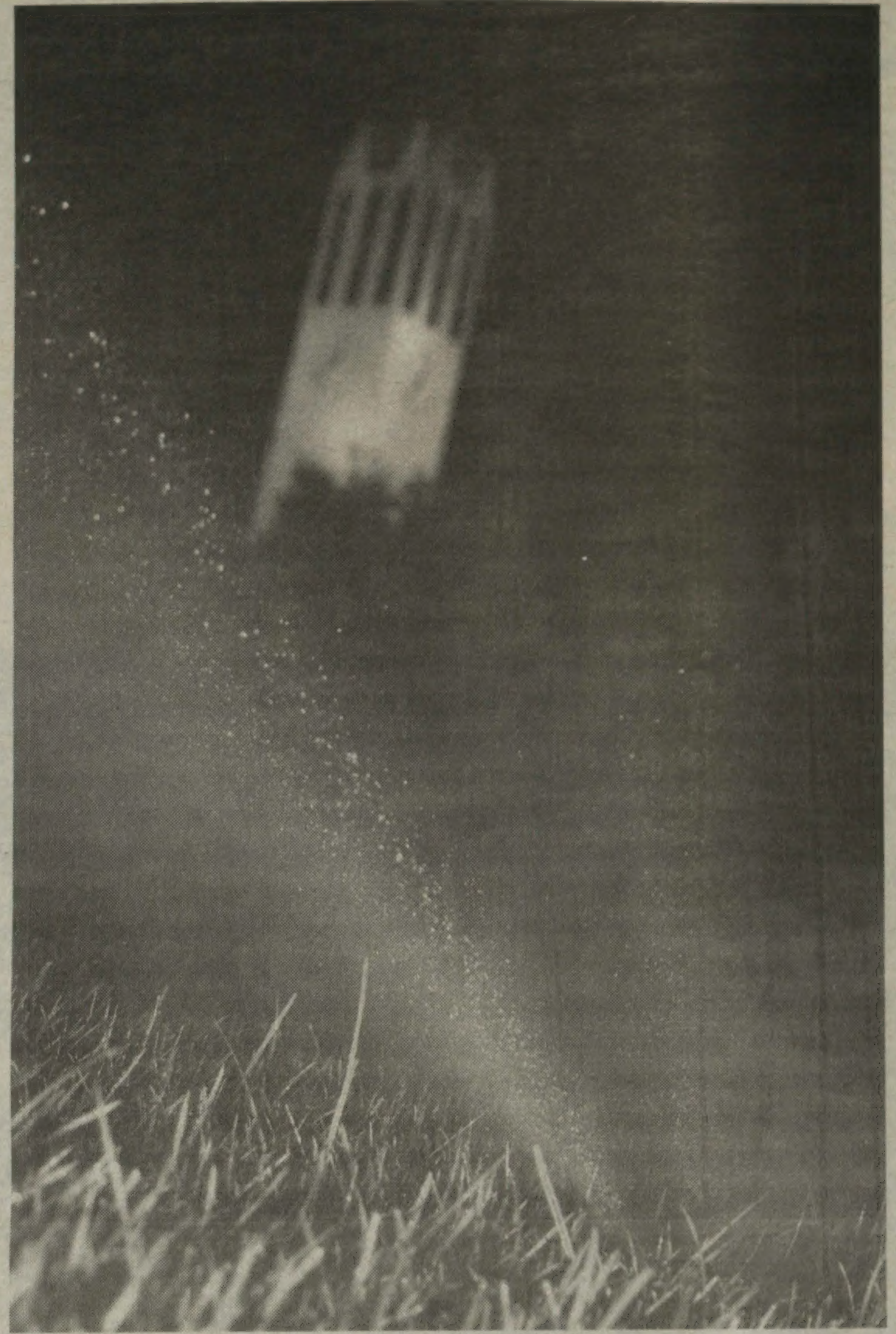


photo by Lucas Munderloh

The campus sprinkler systems run through the night and into the morning during the summer, according to Jim Veiga.

## Water conservation part of UNO, OPPD plan to save money, planet

JORDAN PLAGMAN  
STAFF WRITER

Students on campus late at night might wonder whether campus water consumption rises with the summer temperature.

"I think they water once at night and once in the morning," said Lindsay Linson, a spring graduate. "All I know is that they ground is wet when I go outside and sometimes when I go in."

The university takes steps to limit summertime water and energy consumption, said Jim Veiga, UNO landscape services director.

"We run the sprinklers around campus to keep the trees, shrubs and flowers alive," Veiga said. "There are a number of things we are doing to use less water."

One technique being used is replacing sod with mulch in plant beds. Mulch can hold moisture for a longer period time.

The campus also makes use of a type of grass called fescue, which only needs to be watered once or twice a week. It can hold water longer than other grasses and can handle drought conditions.

Bluegrass, a type of sod used on campus before fescue, required considerably more maintenance.

The grassy areas around campus are divided into watering zones for the grass and plant life.

The campus has an abundance of sprinkler heads that are timed to go off during a certain time of day, usually in the morning. The sprinklers have a loop system connecting the watering zones.

Sprinklers run daily, but not every zone is watered daily. The sprinklers run for an average of 20 minutes per zone and require one-and-a-half inches per week.

"We listen to guidelines given by the Omaha Public Power District and pay attention to a certain water cycle," Veiga said.

OPPD has a high demand for

its resources, therefore increasing the demand for more generators. According to spokesperson Mike Jones, \$6 million is needed to put in more generators.

"If we can reduce the demand of using so much energy, we wouldn't have to spend the money to put in more generators, which in turn will save customers money," Jones said. "We keep in mind we serve the public."

UNO and OPPD initiated an Energy Saving Potential program to help Nebraskans conserve energy. Faculty and students are identifying the barriers to energy conservation and help OPPD and its customers overcome the obstacles.

"We're developing research application models that can be used to promote energy conservation among individuals and small businesses," Jones said.

OPPD is providing UNO \$500,000 annually until 2010 to fund the energy saving program.

"UNO will help us promote energy reduction and demand," Jones said. "We are trying to figure out what it will take to increase the level of participation and effort to conserve energy."

Lincoln is taking a different approach to water conservation.

Due to 2003 drought conditions, UNL has implemented an irrigation management plan. The campus runs its sprinkler system for six hours during the morning at a 30-minute time interval, according to Eileen Bergt, UNL landscape services director. Some parts of the campus are watered manually during regular daytime hours.

"When we have to hand water, we water in the morning because it's cooler and water evaporates as the temperature increases," Bergt said.

The irrigation management plan is structured according to phases where each level is estimated for water reduction.

"We always want to stay a step ahead of the city," Bergt said.

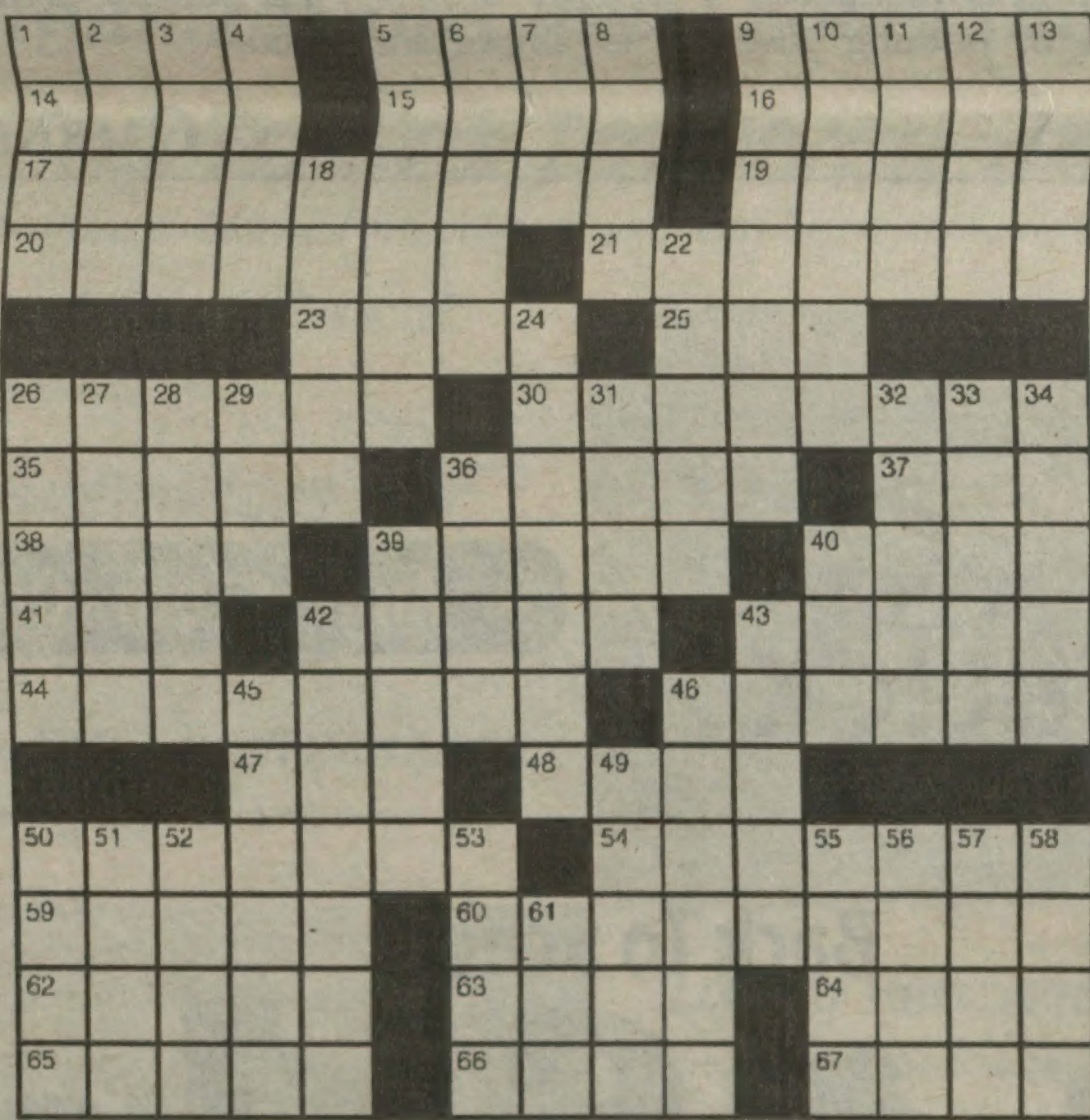
## Crossword

### ACROSS

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- 5 Gone by
- 9 More adorable
- 14 Iridescent gem
- 15 Region
- 16 Stage whisper
- 17 Cabot or Coe
- 19 Altercation
- 20 Frees from obligation
- 21 Conceal
- 23 Marsh grass
- 25 Racetrack circuit
- 26 Confederated
- 30 Discharge
- 35 Tenant's contract
- 36 Enticements
- 37 Joanne of "Red River"
- 38 Egg to Caesar
- 39 Funeral song
- 40 Piece of work
- 41 Above, to poets
- 42 Buenos \_\_, Arg.
- 43 Sierra Nevada lake
- 44 Truck and press types
- 46 Carly and Paul
- 47 Morsel for Dobbin
- 48 Record
- 50 Sudden inclination
- 54 Poorer, executionwise
- 59 Egyptian capital
- 60 Instrument played with mallets
- 62 Industrial city on the Ruhr
- 63 Pocket billiards
- 64 Common conjunctions
- 65 Comparative darkness
- 66 Inning divisions
- 67 Sail holder

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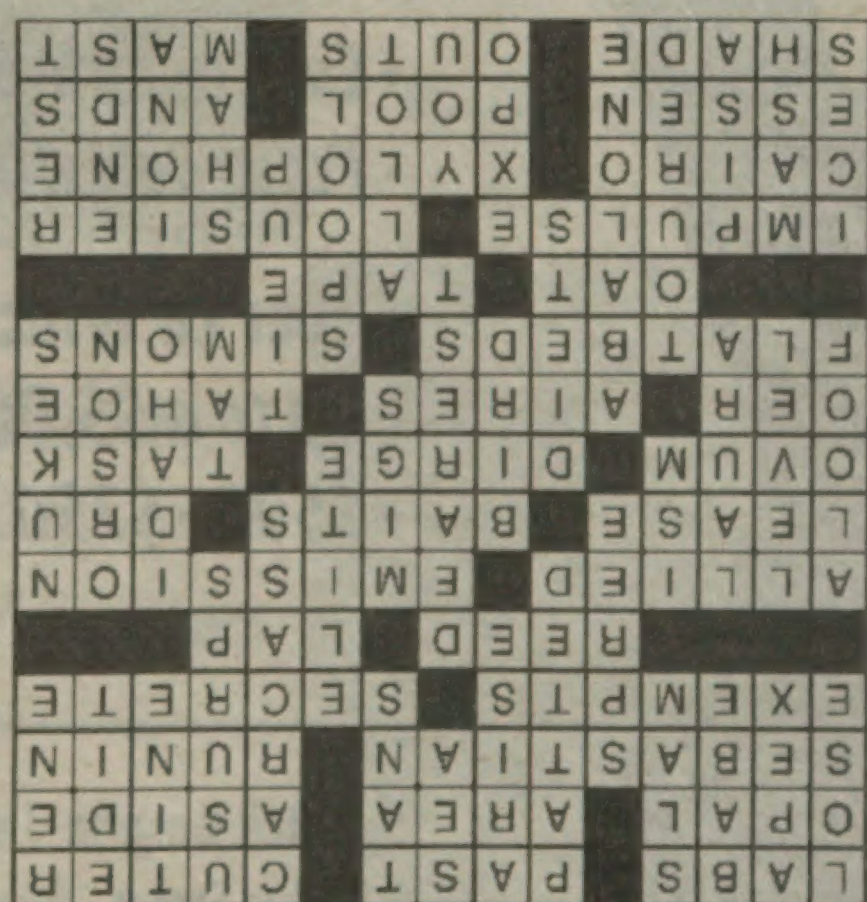
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- 10 Overthrows
- 11 Fork's prong
- 12 Correct text
- 13 M. Descartes
- 18 Binge
- 22 Type size
- 24 Most cherished
- 26 Standoffish
- 27 Even
- 28 Mrs. Bush
- 29 Doctrine
- 31 Russ. fighter jets
- 32 Gem State
- 33 Bean or Welles
- 34 Zaps in a microwave
- 36 Hoopster Larry
- 39 Losing plans
- 40 Highland hat
- 42 Otter fodder
- 43 Occupy completely



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## Solutions



- 45 Traveled from place to place
- 46 Thread holders
- 49 Parcel out
- 50 Chills
- 51 Meal mixture
- 52 Italian city
- 53 Large intl. fair
- 55 False front
- 56 Hebrides isle
- 57 Some linemen
- 58 Take a break
- 61 "She Loves \_\_"





# Milo Bail Student Center



**Administrative Offices**, 2nd floor, 554-2383.

**Bookstore**, 1st floor, 554-2336.

Textbooks and school supplies plus UNO sportswear, greeting cards, best sellers and magazines.

**Information Kiosks**, Ability for students to check e-mail, surf the web, E-bruno. Three first floor locations and food court

**Business/Ticket Office**, 2nd floor, 554-2981.

**Reservations and Event Planning**, 2nd floor, 554-2383.

Meeting room reservations, fund raising procedures and literature distribution.

**UNO Child Care**, Annex 47, 554-3398.

Child care for children (18 months through 12 years) of students, faculty and staff.

**Convenience Store**, 1st floor.

**Food Services**, (MBSC 2nd floor), 554-2400

**Catering**, Catering menus and prices can be found on the UNO Home Page under catering. For booking food or other questions call the catering office at 554-2400.

**Food Court**,

**Tomassito's**: An Italian Café with homemade pizzas, pane bread, homemade lasagna, chicken parmesan, pasta with sauces and garlic bread sticks.

**The American Grill**: Old fashioned deluxe hamburgers and cheeseburgers with a variety of toppings, chicken strips and chicken sandwiches. Visit the grill in the morning for breakfast sandwiches and much more.

**Durango's**: Featuring four toaster subs with your choice of toppings, Panini sandwiches, kettle chips and new for fall, Gyros.

**The Rice Place**: A selection of meats, veggies, seasonings and sauces, cooked to order and served over your choice of rice blends.

**Garden Greens**: An ever changing salad bar filled with fresh vegetables, pasta salads, fruits and a variety of salad dressings.

**Aztecs**: Spice it up a little with our Chicken Chipotle or Steak Caesar Wraps, homemade taquitos, beef or chicken taco salads and Aztec potatoes.

**The Kiosk Café**: Offering cheese or beef hot dogs, polish sausage, a wide assortment of pastries and desserts, soft-serve ice cream, bottled beverages and featuring Starbuck's Verona coffee and Tazo Teas.

**The Maverick Buffet**: Open for lunch, an all-you-can-eat buffet with entrees and soups prepared daily, burgers and sandwiches from the grill, desserts and a salad bar.

**Games Room**, 1st floor.

**Health Services**, 1st floor, 554-2374.

Registered nurse on duty and MD available by appointment.

**MavCard Services**, 2nd floor, 554-2100.

Issues the UNO MavCard, which is used for various activities across campus, including campus recreation and library privileges. The MavCard also offers a declining balance feature for quick purchases in the Food Court, Bookstore, vending machines, computer labs, convenience store and Maverick Buffet.

**Multicultural Affairs**, 1st floor, 554-2248.

Personal and Academic support

**Off-Campus Housing Referral Service**, 2nd floor, 554-2383.

**Student Organizations and Leadership Programs**, 1st floor, 554-2711.

Assists students involved in activities and organizations on campus.

**William F. Baxter Memorial Chapel**, 2nd floor

**Additional Services:**

- American Multicultural Students
- Gateway (student newspaper)
- International Student Organization
- Network for disABled Students
- Student Programming Organization
- TV/Vending Lounge
- Women's Resource Center
- Computer Lab



## Grade appeal policy to be made more accessible via Web site

TAYLOR MULLER  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

College students have certain rights, and one of the most important rights is the ability to challenge an inappropriate grade.

The grade appeal process has been clarified in time for the new school year, and the policies governing each college have been made easier to locate.

Students might appeal a grade for many reasons. One instance would be when a grade was assigned in an arbitrary or capricious manner, said David Conway,

student affairs. "Generally the policy is that the student discusses the grade appeal with the professor, and if they can't come to an agreement, then they go to the department chair; if they can't come to an agreement, then it goes to the committee."

Many students do not realize that the grade appeal is a right they are given as students, said James Hulstein, a student government senator.

While acting as Faculty Senate liaison, Hulstein presented a proposal to the Faculty Senate that all syllabi identify the grade appeal policy appropriate to that department.

"They were opposed to it because putting it on the syllabi would make their lives a lot more difficult," Hulstein said. "The dean would have to take time out of his schedule to deal with each appeal."

Instead, the Student Senate and the Faculty Senate came to a compromise.

The grade appeal policy is now available as a direct link on the student catalog Web site, [ses.unomaha.edu/registrar/catalogs.php](http://ses.unomaha.edu/registrar/catalogs.php). The policies previously had been five or six clicks away, buried behind other documents, said Hulstein.

"To find it before, you would have to have known what you were looking for," he said. "Many of the colleges didn't even have it online."

Hulstein feels that this is part of a bigger issue of the student body not knowing their rights as students.

"Most students don't even know about their most basic rights; they're uninformed," Hulstein said. "They figure they can e-mail the teacher, but that's it. They don't realize they can go to the head of the department, or the dean, through the appeal process."

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the associate dean of the College of Education.

"Arbitrary would be if the instructor gave a grade scale, but didn't follow it," Conway said. "Capricious would be trying to demonstrate that one student's work was scored differently than another student's work that was of equal value."

The 2006-07 UNO Undergraduate Catalog states that students wanting to appeal a grade should refer to the college in which the course was offered. Each college has different policies regarding grade appeal, although the differences are minimal.

"While generally the process is the same, they do vary by college," said Rita Henry, the assistant vice chancellor of

## Advice for cutting college costs

COMMENTARY BY  
CHAEI FORTINA  
STAFF WRITER

Many students enter their first year of college completely on their own, financially speaking. In order to balance yourself in order to have fun and still be able to pay your bills, it is important to follow some tips for living within your means.

The first step is to plan ahead.

Make a monthly budget to control your spending. Add up all of your expenses

cards you have, the more money you can spend. You still have to pay it all back at the end of the month, no matter how many cards are in your wallet. Just because you have a credit limit does not mean you have to reach it.

Saving is also a hard concept to grasp, especially when you want to spend \$100 on a new pair of jeans or a new iPod. Keep a separate account for savings in order to cover yourself if you ever run into an emergency. Remember, those jeans aren't going to help you when you car suddenly



photo illustration by Michelle Bishop

Managing your money doesn't have to be tricky. Making a budget and sticking to it will ease any college student's financial planning.

and subtract that from your total monthly income.

Total monthly income includes money you receive for working, money from your parents, financial aid and scholarships. Expenses include everything from monthly bills such as car payments, rent or tuition, to things that you use in day-to-day life, such as groceries, clothes and gas for your car.

Also, be sure to set aside some money for entertainment.

"If an expense is incurred more or less often than monthly, convert it to a monthly amount when calculating the monthly budget amount. For instance, auto expense that is billed every six months would be converted to monthly by dividing the six-month premium by six," according to About.com.

Converting to monthly installments will help you plan for big bills and large payments.

Another key to financial independence is establishing credit.

In order to establish good credit, make sure to pay all your bills back in full every month and be careful using credit cards. Credit card use can make or break your credit rating.

Effective credit card management begins with limiting the number of cards you possess. Credit card applications are practically thrown at college students. Having one card is enough for the average person.

Avoid the trap of thinking that the more

breaks down or you have to take a trip to the emergency room.

An easy way to save is to take a set amount out of your paycheck each month and put it in the bank. Not only will this get you interest, it will be a nice cushion for unexpected or future expenses.

While it may be tedious and time consuming, balancing your checkbook is very important. If you write everything down after you pay for it you will know exactly how much you have spent, and how much you have left to spend each month.

"I never used to balance my checkbook, but after getting slammed with overdraft charges from over expending my account on vacation, I really learned the importance of keeping track of my money," said sophomore Amanda Bader.

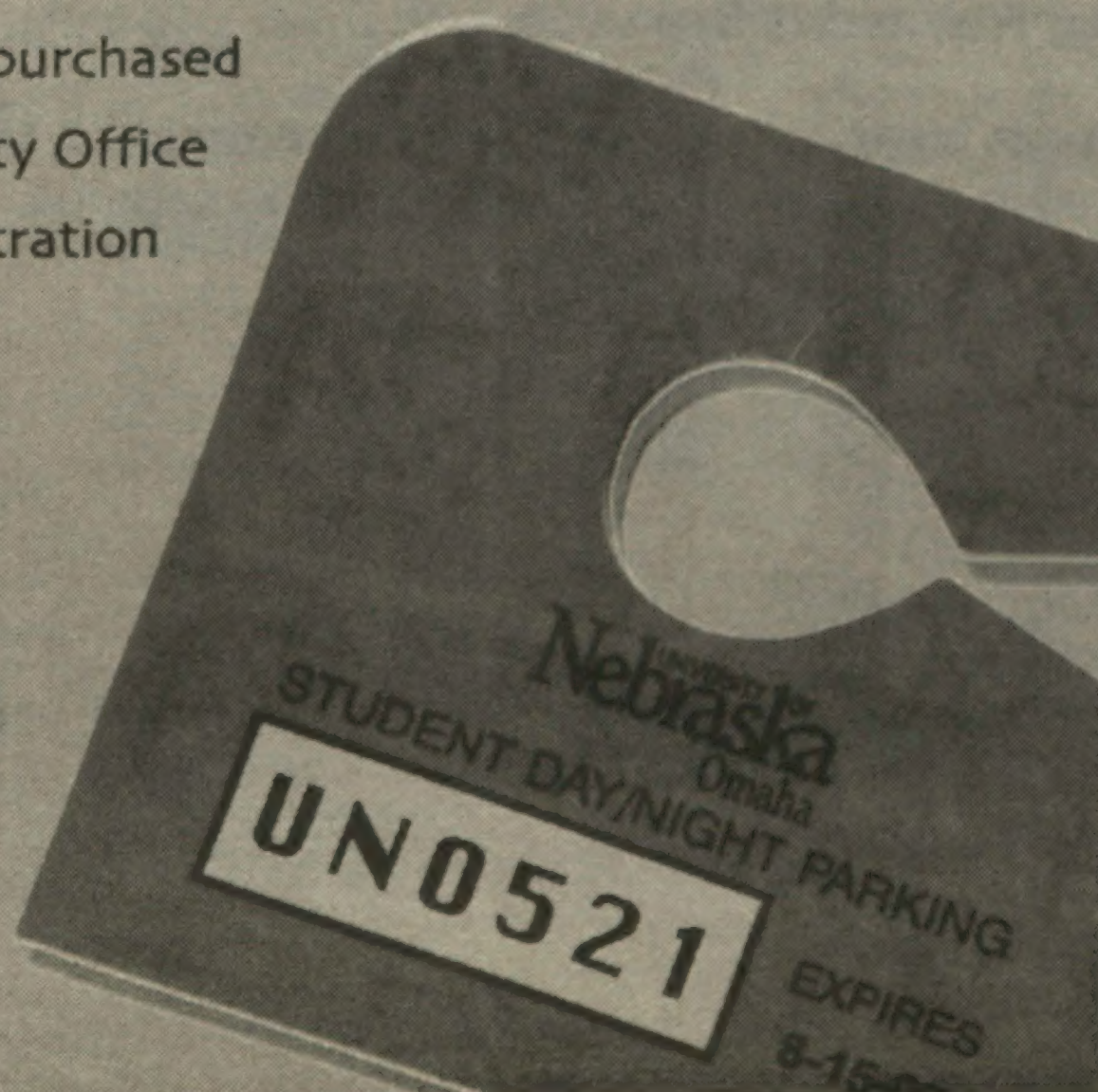
One final tip on not falling into debt is to be sparing. Scrape for free things wherever you can get them. Cut coupons, look for sales and ask for student discounts. Things like a Baker's Plus card or other shoppers' advantage cards can help you save a few dollars.

Another easy way to scrape for money is to apply for free money. There are millions of scholarships available for every kind of student. Look for them online or ask your employer if your company offers one.

Putting a little extra time into making a budget and a little extra effort in sticking to it will help your college expenses immensely and, if you play your cards correctly, keep you out of debt.

## PARKING PERMITS

- August 14 thru 18 - Student and G.T.A. Parking Permits and Parking Structure Access Cards, if available, will be sold in the Eppley Auditorium from 8 am to 5 pm. After 5 pm, go to the Campus Security Service Counter, EAB 100.
- August 21 thru 25 - Student and G.T.A. Parking Permits and Parking Structure Access Cards, if available, will be sold in the Milo Bail Student Center, Dodge Room from 7 am to 6 pm. After 6 pm, go to the Campus Security Service Counter, EAB 100.
- For the remainder of the year permits may be purchased at the Campus Security Office only, Eppley Administration Building, Room 100.



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The ombudspersons' focus isn't only students, though.

"I've had situations where faculty are unsure what to do," Wymer said. "It's really just being an information point a lot of times and getting the right people connected."

All three ombudspersons at UNO have other jobs besides being ombudspersons and therefore prefer appointments be set up in advance.

"E-mail is also perfectly acceptable for all of us," Wymer said. "Sometimes we can resolve everything just through e-mail."

The three official ombudspersons are John McKenna, Marti Rosen-Atherton and Wymer. Their contact information can be found on the ombudspersons' Web site.

"We would love to have a higher profile," Wymer said. "We have this service and hopefully you will never have to use it, but know it's there and we'll be here for you. We would love for students, or whoever needs us, to use us more, so that we can be another avenue to help students resolve their problems."



# People

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## O! What a city: Omaha has more to offer than cows and corn



photo by Michelle Bishop

Omaha's skyline, including Woodmen Tower and the newly constructed First National building, stands behind the Gene Leahy Mall on a sunny day.

COMMENTARY BY  
MICHAEL McMANUS  
PEOPLE EDITOR

Located in the "Heartland" of the United States, Omaha has quickly become a city with development on its mind, success and residential growth in the bag. What was once known as an area primarily involved in agriculture and transportation has blossomed into a city with over 400,000 residents, an average household income of \$60,000 and a

90 percent high school graduation rate. These desirable traits have made Omaha one of the most sought after areas for commercial and residential occupancy in the nation.

Some believe it's the affordable living and central location that attract individuals to the area, while others believe that the state's desirability comes from the residents within.

Omaha Chamber of Commerce President and CEO David Brown believes the city's appeal becomes apparent the

minute you cross the state line.

"I think the aspect that hits you first is the smiling faces and friendly welcoming community," Brown said. "Omaha is in itself a Mecca for hospitality." And residents of Omaha have reason to be smiling, with the cost of living being 11 percent lower than the national index.

The money saved on the cost of living can easily be spent at many of Omaha's recreational and entertainment facilities. The \$290 million Qwest Center has brought in stars from all over the world, ranging from the American Idols, Britney Spears to Paul McCartney. Rosenblatt Stadium hosts the NCAA College World Series and the world-class Holland Performing Arts Center provides a musical atmosphere that competes with the best in the world.

Omaha also boasts a strong and diverse economy, and is home to four Fortune 500 company headquarters: ConAgra, Union Pacific, Mutual of Omaha and Berkshire Hathaway. All these companies help bring business to Omaha and provide work for many UNO students and their families.

LeAnne Mormon, a UNO alumna, couldn't imagine living anywhere else.

"Omaha seems to have it all. I can shop at all the major stores, look for employment in nationally-known companies and not stray far away from my small-town roots," she said.

It may seem surprising to some who have never visited Omaha, but there is much more to Nebraska than corn and cows. Omaha prides itself in its four major malls, numerous museums and hundreds

of restaurants.

The National Restaurant Association actually states that Nebraska ranks 17th among all 50 states with restaurants per capita, meaning that for every 1,000 residents there are 2.5 restaurants available, making a total of 4,560 restaurants in the whole state.

Food aside, Omahans can also pride themselves on not only what goes in their mouths but also what comes out. Nebraskans are often called people with "no accents," meaning that the majority of Nebraskans speak what is known as "General American." "General American" is the name given to the accent used by most television announcers and is a good reference accent for foreigners learning English. With that said, it should be no surprise that 50,000 people in Omaha are employed in telecommunications and data intensive jobs. A number of the nation's leading telecommunications companies are located here in Omaha.

With the rise of popularity and economic growth, the future looks bright for Omaha. Brown seems to have it right.

"In the future I see Omaha growing immensely, with more people realizing the quality of life we offer and the advantages of living in our community," he said.

O! What a city.

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## 2006-2007 PARKING INFORMATION

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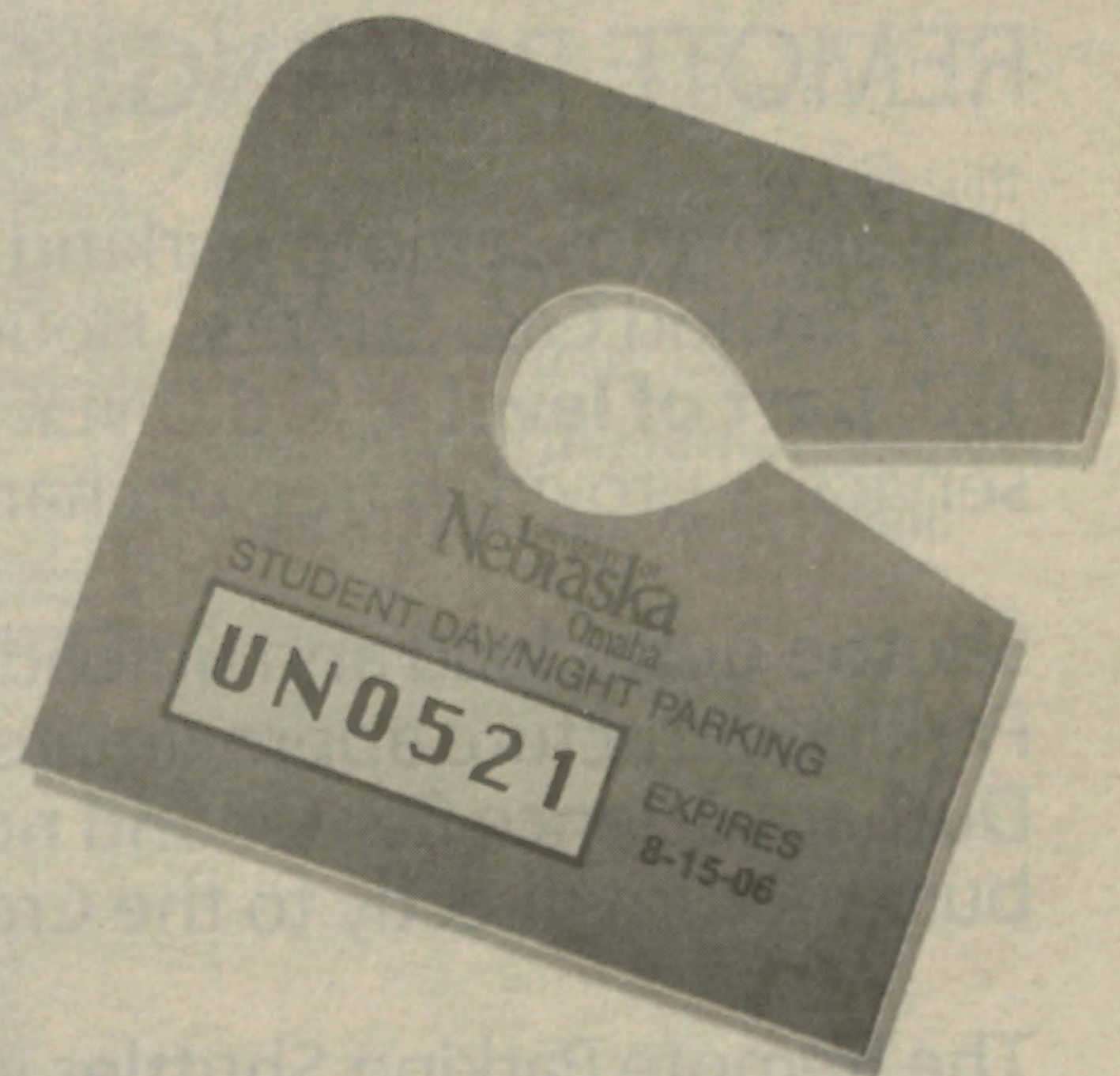
Reserved	\$234
Faculty/Staff	\$114
Faculty/Staff (night only)	\$57
Student	\$80
Student (night only)	\$40
GTA	\$94

All those who use the PARKING STRUCTURE will be assessed a surcharge of \$30 in addition to the permit price.

Permits will consist of a HANGAR ONLY. Validation stickers will no longer be used.

In cases where a transferable permit would not be practical, a SPECIAL PERMIT may be used for individuals with special circumstances with the approval of the manager of Campus Security. Individuals requesting such a permit should contact the manager of Campus Security prior to permit issuance for consideration.

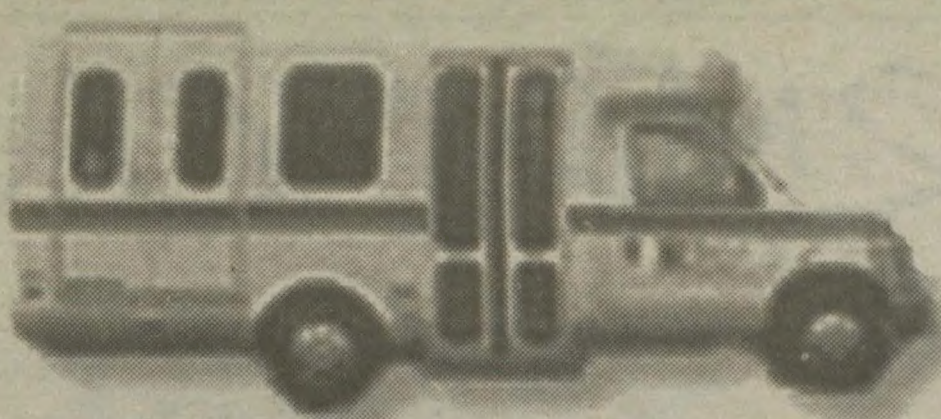
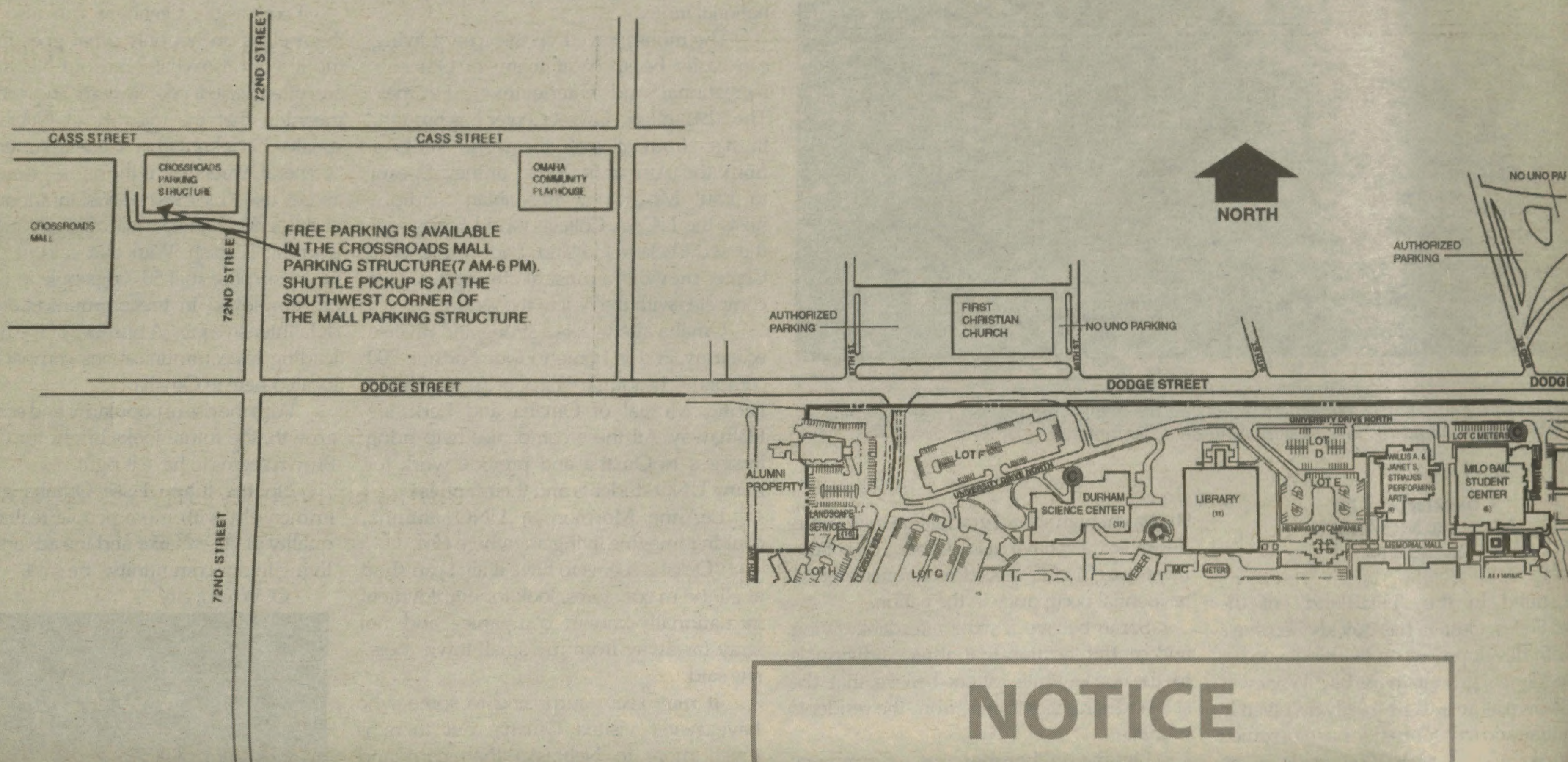
PARKING VIOLATION APPEALS must be submitted within 30 calendar days of the date of the ticket. After the 30 days, the right to appeal is forfeited. Special exceptions may be approved by the manager of Campus Security.





# The bull stops here.

## REMOTE PARKING



## NOTICE

Some stalls on Level 4 will not be available for UNO parking.

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## REMOTE PARKING: Crossroads Mall Parking Structure.

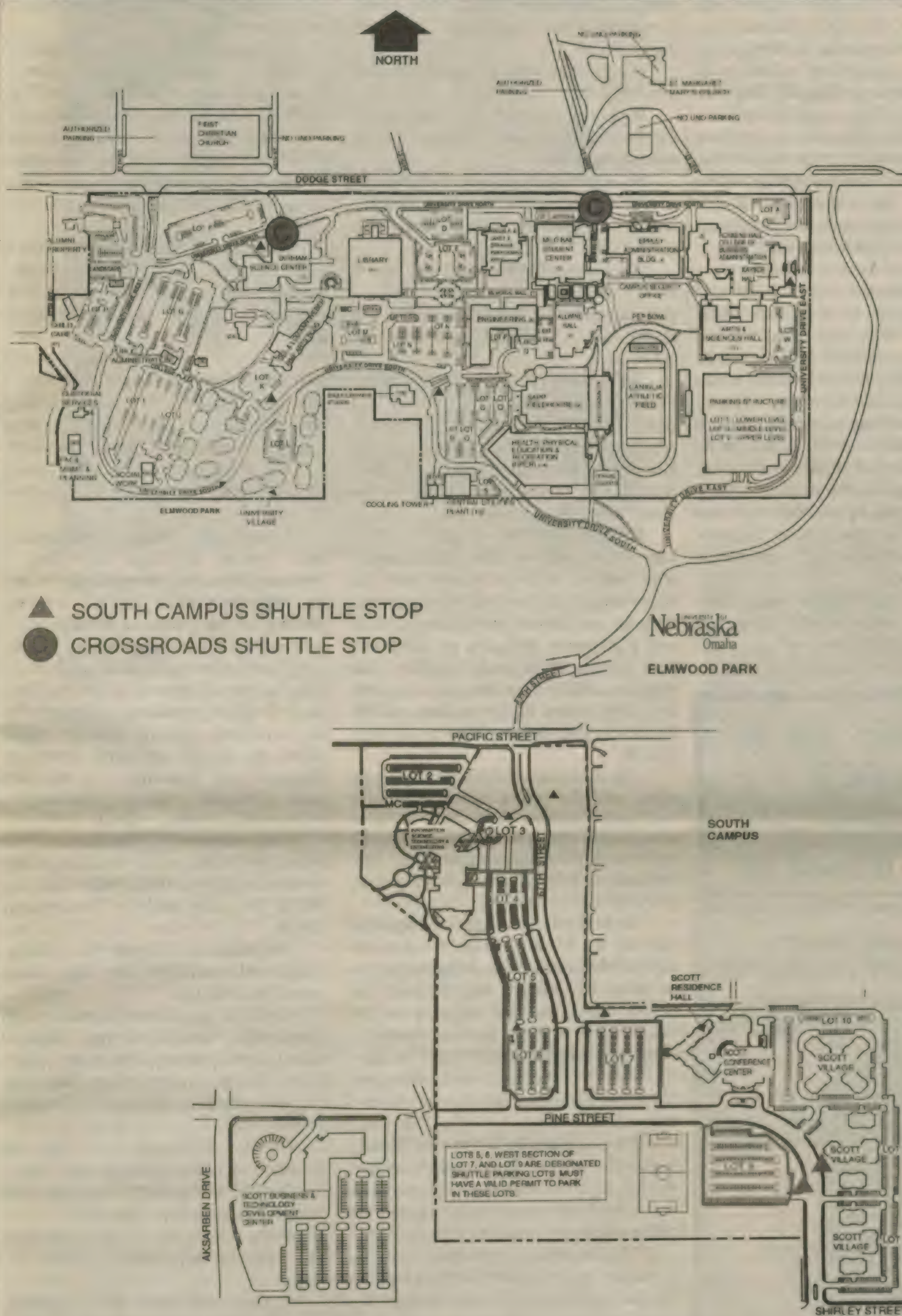
UNO provides remote parking from the Crossroads Mall Parking Structure located at 72nd and Cass Streets. Hours are 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Parking is permitted on levels 1, 3, **part of level 4**, 5, 6 ONLY. (Not on level 2 or in regular surface lots.) Shuttle service is provided free of charge and no permit is required.

Shuttle buses load and unload at the southwest corner of the Crossroads Mall Parking Structure approximately every 15 minutes making stops ONLY north of the Durham Science Center and north of the Milo Bail Student Center. The Shuttle buses return directly to the Crossroads after the stop at MBSC.

The Remote Parking Shuttles will be marked to distinguish them from the Shuttle buses that service the Shuttle parking on the South Campus.

Campus Security  
**554-2648**





## SHUTTLE PARKING: South Campus Lots 5, 6, 7 and 9

The University of Nebraska at Omaha provides Shuttle Parking on the South Campus between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. **A VALID PERMIT IS REQUIRED.**

Shuttle buses leave the South Campus and the UNO campus approximately every 15 minutes making stops south of lot N, along University Drive South at the three-way intersection, south of Lot K along University Drive South, north of the Durham Science Center, north of the Milo Bail Student Center, east of Kayser hall, east of PKI (circle drive) in Lots 5, 6, 7 and 9, west of Scott Village and east of PKI along 67th Street.

The shuttle bus loads/unloads in Lots 5, 6, 7 and 9 on South Campus.

The shuttle parking buses will be marked to distinguish them from the remote parking buses that service the remote parking area at the Crossroads Mall.

### Parking:

- \$80 Student (Valid all day)
- \$40 Student Night Only (Valid on campus after 12:30 p.m.)
- \$94 GTA (Restricted to Faculty/Staff lots only)
- Parking Structure Access Card, if available \$30
- Parking Structure Access Card deposit \$5

Access to the Parking Structure will be available for a fee of \$1 after 12:30 p.m. No parking permit is required after 12:30 p.m. in the parking Structure.





# Dorm room décor: How to doll up your dorm room for beginners

COMMENTARY BY  
ALLISON MEIER

STAFF WRITER

Summer is quickly coming to a close and yes, campus is calling. But first things first: making the new living space a home. It may be hard to fathom leaving the castle and trading in mom's cooking for a tiny bedroom and boxed meals, but don't worry, this transition can be a lot of fun.

Although boxed meals are certain, living in one is not. It's time to make this space individual.

Downsizing is a must. Minimize frames, shoes and clothing, and focus on open walls and bright colors. Colors can make a huge difference in any environment. Head out to discount stores like T.J. Maxx, Burlington Coat Factory and Marshalls (120th to 132nd and Center). These stores are amazing, inexpensive and good options to find original and very cheap items.

"I wouldn't go anywhere else...money is sparse and I love to splurge," said senior Teri Moore. "My bedspread is Tommy Hilfiger and my pillows are Calvin Klein...all for \$50."

Budget is the key word, but it should be easy since the space is so small. Decision making is also an important tool to use when designing a dorm room. Walk the aisles and venture away from what is comfortable. Try to mix and match colors. Cool colors are a big hit this season, but that doesn't mean

that's the only way to go. Mix purple with orange and a cool blue. Throw in a fun area rug and mesh all the colors together with clearance pillows. Be unique and spice it up.

Living in a dorm is just like living in an apartment and a great way to bond with new roommates is to go shopping. There are two bathrooms for four people, so work as a team and have fun. The dorm doesn't have to coordinate, so switch it up. Pick out the most multicolored shower curtain within budget; usually the most off-the-wall ones are the cheapest. Next, grab several different colored towels to match and, finally, a rug. Everyone can have a say, so be creative.

Once the bathroom is done, work your way into the kitchen. Go to Big Lots (132nd and Center or 84th and Harrison) and check out their assortment of placemats. Be creative: there are white walls in the dorms so doll up the room with vibrant colors by mixing and matching placemats, napkins and kitchen towels. Best of all, this can be done for all under \$10. While out shopping, grab some things for the walls. If nothing catches the eye, pick up multi-photo frames and start snapping some pictures. College is a crazy time and frame-worthy photos will start coming quickly.

Once the dorm is complete, enjoy! Have some neighbors over and get to know each other. Classes are just around the corner and real college life is just about to begin.

BY PATRICE M. JONES  
CHICAGO TRIBUNE  
(MCT)

CHICAGO — There I sat with two hip college women feeling like the gray-haired principal who barged into the girl's bathroom unannounced.

For goodness' sake. It is not as if I caught them smoking.

It was just a little bit of harmless erotica that these two University of Chicago student editors produced.

But if I was truly OK with their popular artsy sex magazine, "Vita Excolatur," why did I keep averting my eyes from the magazine's glossy pages?

As I learned, Vita Excolatur (which loosely means "life enriched" in Latin) is a pictorial and literary X-rated publication that rips to pieces the dull image of the University of Chicago.

With featured photos such as "Hot Girls Reading Books" and such columns as "The Kinky Mystic," the student government-approved, student-run magazine is a playful look at a university that has such a bookish reputation it was dubbed on T-shirts as the place "Where Fun Comes to Die."

Published in a 750-copy limited edition three times a year since 2004, "Vita Excolatur" often walks a tightrope between racy but artistic images and hard-core sexual content, throwing into the mix bits of poetry, opinion and a potpourri of reports on everything from abstinence to faking orgasms. The magazine sells for \$2 on campus and at some Hyde Park shops. Back issues are available on the Vita Web site for prices varying from \$6 to \$8.

"We know we are known as the ugly school and the school that doesn't have fun," said Charlotte Rutherford, a public policy major who will be a senior this fall and who is the magazine's president. "We both acknowledge it, poke fun at it and try to change it."

The emergence of college sex magazines such as the U. of C.'s, which often are supported financially by student governments as recognized student organizations, first started gaining national attention in 1999 when Vassar College students started a magazine called "Squirm."

Since then, sex magazines have cropped up at elite institutions from Yale to Harvard to Boston University.

The magazines include student-friendly information on sex, provocative columns opining about sex and titillating photo essays that often focus on what else, sex, and the publications have been a hit with students.

"Vita," which averages about 30 pages, is funded by a modest \$6,000 annually in student activities fees. It was created two years ago by a small group of U. of C. students who aimed at provoking discussion and "exploration" of sexuality, as well as just having fun, said Rutherford, a founding member.

"People may think the magazine is pornographic, but to me, pornography is more about pure arousal," said Rutherford, who is administrative head of a student staff of 20. "What we produce may be arousing, but it also is there to make you think."

"The magazine talks about how to do it, when to do it, that it is OK to do it," added Sola Akintunde, the magazine's university adviser who also is the campus' assistant director of student activities. "It shows that being intellectual is attractive. They discuss everything from penis size to intimacy to safe sex; you name it."

Experts say college students who grew up in a popular culture where racy television shows such as "Big Brother" and body-gyrating, bootylicious music videos are standard fare are pretty casual about their own sexuality.

But even though "Vita" has caused quite a buzz on campus, according to its editors and university officials, it has not been particularly controversial and so far, there has been little sign of strong opposition from parents or students.

Bill Michel, the U. of C.'s assistant vice president for student life, said university officials have worked to balance the "Vita" staff's right to freedom of expression with such considerations as ensuring student models understand what they are getting into when they pose for photos and keeping an eye on how far the editors go with racy content.

Currently, the main university rule is that the magazine's unpaid male and female models, virtually all of whom are U. of C. students, must be 18 and sign a consent form.

The models also are shown copies of their photos before they appear in print — a little extra insurance that allows them to back out if they have second thoughts about seeing themselves in the buff for perpetuity.

The magazine also includes a warning on the cover saying it is not suitable for those under 18.

Actually, the fledgling publication's most serious challenge, according to Stephanie Mielcarek, who recently became the magazine's editor in chief, has been pushing for more editorial freedom to use more explicit photographic images.

"Vita's" most recent issue, published in May, has been its most risqué yet, its editors say, with photographs that crossed the line set in previous editions, such as graphic photos of erections and sexual intercourse. Mielcarek and Rutherford said the latest issue represented a victory in their ongoing debates with university officials.

They also say they are proud of the impact the publication has had in sparking discussion about sexuality. Rutherford even admits to posing nude in the magazine herself.

But Mielcarek, a 21-year-old art history major, said sheepishly, "My dad doesn't know I'm doing this."

"A lot of people at one time thought pornography was objectifying," Mielcarek added, now appearing a bit more bold. "I believe that girls now are more into taking charge, saying this is sexy and it is something I want to do."

Chuck Kleinhans, an associate professor of radio, television and film at Northwestern University, has researched sexual representation. He says it is not surprising that the two student editors see their magazine as promoting a smart, sexy image.

"I think our culture today, especially with blogs and a very open online culture, there is some shifting in the boundaries in sexual representation," Kleinhans said.

On the other hand, Midge L. Wilson, a professor at DePaul University, said the jury is still out.

"There is a real question as to whether this sort of thing is empowering to women or the same old objectification that women fought against," she said.

University officials have largely put few rules on other similar magazines.

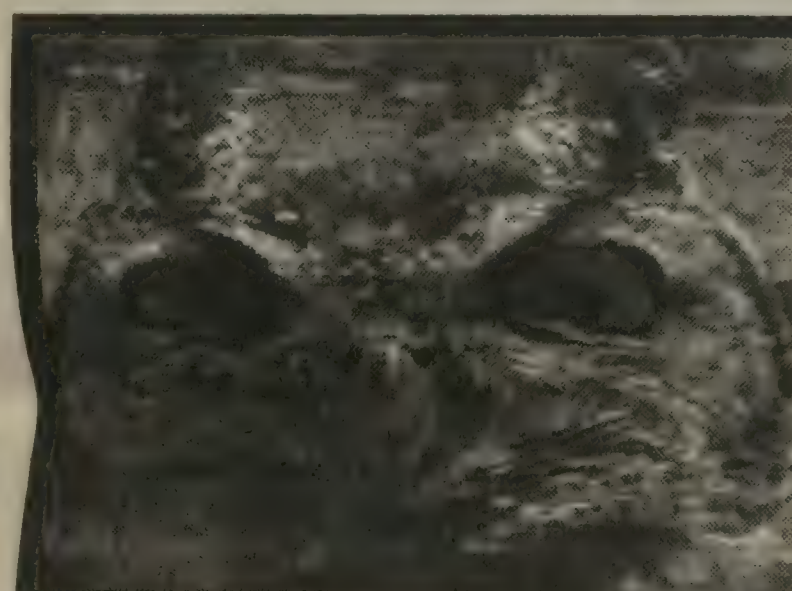
Dain Lewis, the student publisher of "Sex Week at Yale: The Magazine," touts his publication as focused on "providing useful information" and says it shows much less skin than some of its sister publications.

"Classiness is something we are extremely concerned about," Lewis said by phone. "At every point along the way, I think about if I can justify this with my mom, then I am in good shape."


But does his mom approve of the magazine?

"Please, I, uh, I don't want to get into

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A MavCard Services employee photographs a cardholder in the MavCard Services office located on the second floor of Milo Bail Student Center.

## Out with the old, in with the new, improved NU ID MavCard system

ELIZABETH ZIELINSKI  
STAFF WRITER

New student identification cards are currently being issued to all enrolled students. The old ID cards will have holds placed on them beginning Sept. 8.

In addition to serving as identification, the newly-issued cards will have the new NU ID numbers on them, and will be used as library cards and for access to the HPER building.

"The registrar wanted to get the new ID numbers out to as many students as possible as soon as possible, and what better way to do that than to put it on a card they'll always have in their wallet," said Brian Bollich, MavCard Services assistant director. "And it can combine the proximity card with the ID. Who doesn't want one less thing to have to carry around in their pockets?"

The new cards will also serve as debit cards at selected outlets on campus. The bookstore, convenience store, Milo Bail Student Center food court, Peter Kewit Institute food court and the Maverick Buffet will all accept the card. The card can also be used for printing in many computer labs on campus, the library print system and in some vending machines.

"As the years go by, I'm sure we'll add

more services," Bollich said.

Funds can be added to the card at the MavCard Services office on the second floor of the student center Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cash can also be added to the cards anytime at four card value kiosks, located in the main floor of the library, the first floor of the student center, the vending area of PKI or in the first floor vending area of Arts and Sciences Hall.

The MavCard Web site, [mavcard.unomaha.edu](http://mavcard.unomaha.edu), can also receive deposits to the account from the card holder. The site also provides options for recurring deposits, emails to warn of a low balance, and registration of others on the account to add funds.

The design of the new card is very different from the old card and features a Maverick prominently on its front.

"It's more UNO specific than the old white cards," Bollich said. "It has with it more UNO identity and school spirit."

The MavCard Services office is funded with a \$4 student ID fee assessed each semester.

Bollich said that the new cards are available now to all enrolled students.

"Of course, the worst time to get them will be the first week of classes," he said.

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trouble or anything," he said.

"Vita Excolatur" is just about being edgy, provocative and fun, said Tynan Kelly, a 19-year-old San Francisco native who has served both as a model and model coordinator for the magazine.

"Some people think there is too much sex in the media, but I think we are looking at sex in a different way," said Kelly, a

sophomore. "We are not chauvinistic at the magazine. We show both men and women, and we are not just trying to be explicit. We simply explore why people enjoy sex."

Nonetheless, he conceded that his parents don't know about his modeling gig. "But I made sure all my friends at home saw it," he said with a laugh.

## ITS provides UNO tech support

ELIZABETH ZIELINSKI  
STAFF WRITER

In today's day and age access to technology is a necessity. What was once thought of as a luxury is now a major part of nearly every student's daily life. UNO understands the importance of technology and provides many computer labs on campus where students and staff can use workstations with a variety of software, Internet access, scanners and printers.

Information Technology Services directly supports computer labs in Durham Science Center 104 and Milo Bail Student Center's Elmwood Room. They partner with other UNO departments to offer open labs in Arts and Sciences 103, Health, Physical Education and Recreation 211, Peter Kewit Institute 158A, Roskens Hall 401 and in the library.

ITS Labs Supervisor John C. Adams said regular black and white printing is \$0.02 per page across campus, except in the library, which charges \$0.05 per page. Color laser printing is available in the Student Center, Durham Science Center user rooms and the library for \$0.30 per page.

Printing in most labs is paid for using the new MavCards; however, the UNO

College of Business lab and Roskens Hall use a different system for student printing.

Students who wish to print documents off of a laptop in the campus labs can do so by downloading printer drivers from the ITS Web site for the labs they wish to print from. The student can then print from the laptop, but must still swipe their MavCard in the lab.

The the current version of Microsoft Office is available, including Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, FrontPage and Publisher in all of the labs except the PKI lab, which does not have FrontPage, and the Roskens Hall Lab, which does not have Publisher.

Many campus labs will be closed the week prior to the beginning of the fall semester. The library computers will be available Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and the lab in Health, Physical Education and Recreation will be open Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The student center's Elmwood Room will be available Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Aug. 18 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., and on Aug. 19 from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m.

"The fall hours haven't been finalized yet," Adams said. "We hope to have that up the second week of August."



Students utilize the computer lab on the first floor of the Milo Bail Student Center.

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# Get to know UNO: Q&A with Chancellor Nancy Belck



Nancy Belck

**MICHAEL MCMANUS**  
PEOPLE EDITOR

Chancellor Nancy Belck prepares to enter her 10th year as chancellor at UNO.

Chancellor Belck sat down with the *Gateway* to discuss her job duties, advice to students and, most importantly, why she brought back the classic business suit and tennis shoes look to our very own campus.

## How did you end up in Omaha?

Well, I was recruited by a search firm and invited to come in for a screening interview, and later had the full interview.

The rest is history.

I had been chancellor at Southern Illinois in Edwardsville and didn't think that I would ever consider a move, but they said come and talk with us. I was so pleased with the opportunities that UNO offered and it was a perfect time to come.

It's been a great nine years and I can't believe that I'm starting my 10th year.

A lot of things have happened that have been real positive for students; our increased graduation rate, better retention and higher grade point ACT scores for our students.

I think UNO is just growing, developing and has all kinds of opportunities.

## What exactly does your job as chancellor entail?

That's always a good question. Really, the chancellor's responsibility is as CEO for the campus.

The chancellor does everything from working with the vice chancellors, curriculum issues, administrative issues and student affairs issues.

I do have a very good team that works with me on the student affairs, the academic affairs, business finance and university outreach so I really coordinate across all areas.

I also do a lot of work with students because our first strategic goal is to focus on students. I have lunches and discussion groups to find out what students are thinking about, so in addition to hearing from the professional staff and faculty, I always hear from the direct stakeholders out there, the students.

So it's my job to interact with all of the people who have interest in opportunities at UNO, whether it's employers of our graduates, the family members, etc. It's a really exciting mix of people.

And then ultimately, I am responsible for the budget direction and charting the vision and strategic planning.

I have a lot of great people who help me deliver all that.

## How involved do you get with the student government? With the proposed smoking ban, do you have a strong voice in that issue?

The student body president is someone I do work closely with, and before each board meeting, I try to have a meeting where I meet with the student body president and the staff advisory council president to look at what the different units are doing.

The smoking ban affects both the faculty staff and the students.

The Faculty Senate has also looked at the smoking ban from time to time, so I try to coordinate and make sure that when a student group, a faculty senate or staff has areas that we can work together and get things accomplished more effectively, we meet together.

Certainly the smoking ban has a lot of

implications.

I think many people are for a smoking ban, but then where do you send the smokers?

## What has been the most difficult aspect of being the chancellor at UNO?

Well, we have had some difficult budget years.

A couple of years ago we had to go through a series of budget cuts several years in a row. UNO had \$11.8 million in cuts and lost 170 positions.

We tried to use a very fair and open evaluation process, but I don't care how well you go through the process, if your interest area is cut, you and your colleagues and students are going to be upset.

There is just no good way to make budget cuts except try and get as much information as you can and share it widely and try to help people understand why it's necessary.

As an institution, that has been one of the hardest things that UNO has faced.

One of the more controversial ones is this current discussion over athletics and having to get that budget balanced.

## Do you feel as if the media has been fair when discussing some of the problems UNO is facing, such as the athletics budget cuts?

I think the newspapers and the *Omaha World-Herald* have really tried to get the facts out and present both sides of the issue.

Television is such short snippets. I can do 15 minutes of talking and only two or three minutes of edited talk is shown, which makes it hard to get your message across.

Then, of course, the radio talk shows do their own thing, and accuracy is not always verified.

## The most important question, of course: What's up with the walking shoes?

I have one walking appointment a day, which I started in the 70s when I was a dean.

Through two deanships, two vice chancellor positions and two chancellor

positions, I've had about one 45-minute walk a day with students, faculty, staff, our senators, legislative leaders and mayors.

We go out and walk and talk about whatever is on the agenda of the individual that scheduled the walk.

## What advice do you have for students as we approach the fall semester?

First of all, for many freshmen, they have never been away from home before.

Usually they have to be a lot more in control of making decisions about their schedule and how they spend time.

You remember your freshman year perhaps. Sometimes students don't always make the wisest decisions when it comes to studying and co-curricular activities.

What I encourage students to do is plan their time and I always encourage students to get involved in co-curricular activities.

Some people like to get involved in social groups and all of that enriches your experience, but you do have to plan your time for studying.

I hear more freshmen say, "I'm not used to having so much free time" and you may have class three hours a week, but how many hours do you have to study? So to me a time schedule is a big issue.

Making friends in a group setting [the residence halls] is also something many students have not experienced.

At least all of our residence halls have single bedrooms, not those old dorms where you have beds all over the place.

When I was a freshman I lived in a two-person room, where they were overcrowded and put three of us in. However, [living in a residence hall] is really good as a right of passage, moving from home and becoming more independent.

Finally, budgeting and money issues can sometimes present a problem.

More of our students work than is normal in most universities. When you are working a lot of hours in the week, you really have to look at your time and how you are spending it.

You need to have some fun, everyone needs that, but you have to remember you are also a student, which means you need to make time for studying.

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## Guide to UNO buildings



The Del and Lou-Anne Weber Fine Arts Building (FA) is the new home of the College of Communication, Fine Arts and Media as well as a constantly morphing showcase of student-made paintings, sculptures and live performances.



Roskens Hall (RH) is one of the tallest buildings on campus, reaching nearly half a dozen floors. Roskens Hall houses the College of Business Administration but is also a site where many Arts and Science classes are held.



Allwine Hall (AH) is where biology and aviation classes are held. It is located right across from Engineering and named for Arthur Allwine, who donated a large plot of farm land to Omaha University, which today is the Allwine Natural History Reservation.



Milo Bail Student Center (MBSC) is where books, food and good company can be found at every turn. Student Organizations and Leadership Program offices, student government, a computer lab, the UNO Bookstore, the Gateway offices and a multi-faceted food court can be found inside.



The Strauss Performing Arts Center (PAC) is named for Willis Strauss, who was vital to the merger of Omaha University into the University of Nebraska system, houses numerous auditorium and recital halls, and is the perfect place to channel that vocal or auditory muse.

Arts and Sciences Hall (ASH) is a place where many students will spend time completing general requirement courses. It's one of the oldest buildings on campus and houses the history, foreign languages and international studies departments among others.







*Kayser Hall (KH) is named for Fredrick Kayser, who left \$450,000 in funding to the university. Built in 1971, Kayser Hall houses the College of Education.*

*The Eppley Administration Building (EAB) is named for Eugene C. Eppley, still one of UNO's most charitable donors nearly 50 years after his death, and is a one-stop shop where students obtain parking permits, validate student loans, cash checks and get computer protection software free of charge.*



*Al Caniglia Field, named for a former UNO football coach, is where the Mavericks, defending NCC co-champions, play their home games.*



*The Durham Science Center (DSC) is a three-story, \$14.5 million dollar structure that houses the faculty offices for the numerous science departments, but also is where criminal justice and mathematics call home. The building also contains an indoor planetarium.*



*The Lee and Helene Sapp Fieldhouse is where UNO's basketball, volleyball and wrestling teams hold their home contests, and is also where fans can purchase tickets to those events.*



*Engineering (ENG) was constructed in 1960 and will be undergoing a massive renovation this year, and will eventually house the College of Public Administration and Community Service.*



# Above all else; stay true to yourself

I've been strutting down the halls of UNO for a good four years now. Add in my "blurred" freshman year at UNK and that makes me a fifth-year senior. Hey, it's cool. I always tell people I like to do things outside the box. I mean, who graduates in four years? Not me. I like to go against the grain, walk on the opposite side of the street and, apparently, play for the other team. I'm an individual. I'm not perfect. I'm just me.

As I look back at my collegiate memories and experiences, it's actually kind of embarrassing to see how long it took me to get to this point in my life. I'm not ashamed to admit that I was a loser for the majority of my feeble 22 years. I was what I like to call a people-pleasing pushover, "PPP" for short. I was the guy who always tried to fit in, picked up the bill at restaurants and said "yes" in situations that obviously deserved a simple "no" response. I was a PPP professional. It was an easy way to make friends and an even easier way to lose the small amount of personal identity that I had.

I think I realized the severity of my situation when I told my parents I would go to counseling to try and turn "un-gay." I knew it wasn't going to work, but who was I to disappoint? I put a smile on my face, gave my parents false hope, and let the counselor explain to me why I was wrong. I remember sitting there, listening intently. I imagine I was experiencing the same thing that guests on Dr. Phil go through. They know the guys full of shit, but they pretend to be interested. I was such a pushover. First of all, my ex-gay counselor was gayer than me and second of all, I knew everything he was saying was complete crap. I left the session drained and exhausted. It was that same day that I became comfortable in my own skin; I became an individual.

Individual, what does that mean anymore? We always hear people telling us to be ourselves and not be afraid of what people think, but the funny thing is that

less than appealing. Seriously. Ask anyone on the street one simple question: "Do you think that a person should be true to themselves?" I can guarantee you that nearly everyone will say yes. Now let's say the person asking the question was a female who felt more comfortable dressing up like a man. She takes the advice of the person she questioned, dresses like a man and gets looks of disgust. Funny how in our society individual, average and normal are synonymous.

I don't want to turn this column into one of those heartless self-help stories, but honestly, appreciate who you are. It kills me to think that so many of my peers here at UNO are living their lives to make other people happy. I once met an interesting guy who told me he was gay. We went out for some drinks and I later came to find out that he planned on never coming out of the closet due to an affiliation with his college campus. I was so saddened over the situation, but he isn't alone. There are people out there blending in with their environments, making other people happy and denying themselves any truth, all to give others comfort and satisfaction.

As you enter this semester, please be proud of your individual identity. I'm glad I don't fit into the standard "white male" equation. I'm different and I'm thankful for that. If all of us accepted who we truly were, we would come to find that "fitting in" and acceptance from others wouldn't even be an issue. There would be no standard or normal way of living for comparison; everybody would embrace his or her differences.

Eleanor Roosevelt once said, "Everybody is an individual, nobody can be you. You are unique. No one can tell you how to use your time. It is yours. Your life is your own. You mold it. You make it."

I'm an individual, are you?

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## How Typical



Michael McManus

# Labeling is high-school reasoning

## Sinister Slant



Scott Stewart

"Liberal" is a dirty word in this country.

The liberal media, bleeding-heart liberals, ivory-tower liberal elite—some of us wonder what these phrases could even mean.

In reality, though, their meaning is not nearly as important as their usage. The real meaning behind these words lies between the lines.

These phrases are used like many other hateful labels that one encounters on the elementary school playground. They are used to short-circuit arguments and categorically dismiss unfamiliar ideas.

Of course, the left is not without its fair share of such language. Just consider the terms "neoon," "baby killer" or "cryptofacist." Each one of these terms is used to dismiss conservative ideas, even while the left maintains that they're more open-minded than their conservative brethren.

Ideas and persons should be judged on the basis of their merits, arguments on the basis of logic and rhetoric. Not labels.

That said, progressive individuals must be aware of the systematic manipulation of the English language against their political ideals.

Consider the classic example, namely

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will receive an F in the class and possibly be suspended, as well.

We are adults and deserve to be treated as such. We are paying students and every dollar spent on tuition, books and Mav Hockey sweatshirts is a dollar earned by single moms busting their tails to send their kids to college and single moms busting their tails to send themselves to college to make their kids' lives better. They are dollars from families fighting to stay afloat and families who budgeted for years to make this happen. They are dollars from taxpayers in this state and country doing their part to keep this community and nation academically afloat. They come from kind benefactors in several

"pro-life" anti-abortion rhetoric. Calling a position "pro-life" tacitly implies that any contrary position is "anti-life" or at least lacking any respect for life, which is untrue.

Many "pro-choice" individuals have a great deal of respect for life, including myself. I abhor killing so much that I'm a vegetarian—I believe taking any sentient life is wrong.

Nevertheless, I oppose anti-abortion legislation out of my belief that morality should not be the focus of legislation and that it should be up scientists, doctors and individual moral agents to decide whether to conduct an abortion.

Does that make me a "baby killer"? I hope not, but I'm sure some people would think so.

In fact, it's a good thing there are people who would think so. Abortion can be a questionable procedure, and it should be the topic of ethical examination.

Knowing that I'm pro-choice, however, should not be grounds to reject, say, my views on vegetarianism. The issues are separate and the arguments distinct.

All too often, though, this sort of generalization occurs. People are called liberals or neocons, and their views are rejected without consideration.

Perhaps my favorite example of the meaninglessness of political labels comes from self-described "radical reformer" Gore Vidal. He wrote, "A liberal is a commie who's also a pedophile. Being a communist and a pedophile, he's so busy that he hasn't got the time to win an election and is odious to boot."

Remember that labels are just labels. Saying a band is "emo" or a person is "preppy" doesn't really mean anything; political categories are just as arbitrarily and inappropriately assigned.

fields of study wanting to create a legacy of learning.

Many of the dollars spent in the athletics department are dollars earned and raised by charitable organizations or concerned individuals that want to see athletes excel in the classroom as well as on the fields of competition. That, too, should be respected. The abuse of these funds is reprehensible.

The mishandling of university funds is unacceptable, even if it "just" \$1 million here or there.

By the way, my parking tickets total about .0006 percent of that. In the big scope, don't you think that's small enough it won't make a difference?



"A lot of cops will ask you to walk a straight line, but not me. I like to see the Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy."





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one of their athletes make the jump to the next level.

"You have to recruit with that in mind," Kemp says, "to have players coming in, maybe a player or two more than you need just on the occasional opportunity that somebody may turn pro."

Another hurdle to overcome is the vast disparity in financial resources between Division I programs and their Division II and III kin. Big schools make big money in big sports like football and basketball and, therefore, have more to spread around to their other teams. Smaller schools have to scrape and scramble to make sure everybody gets on the field, or ice, as the case may be.

"A great example of the contrast," Kemp says, "is that we play in the same league as Ohio State [who] was listed as the No. 1

income-producing athletic department in the nation with \$89 million. They have the largest athletic department and the largest budget in college athletics and we're struggling with an athletic budget at the Division II level and we're expected to compete head-to-head."

In the challenge, however, lays the reward and, while still in the infancy of the program, UNO has certainly come a long way towards establishing themselves as a perennial contender in the world of collegiate hockey.

"We've been able to make some really significant steps in the development of the program in a relatively short amount of time," says Kemp. "We have, in Division I hockey, a very wide range of programs. It's an interesting niche we have as a sport."

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critical darlings "Buffy the Vampire Slayer," "Angel," "Felicity," "Roswell," and "Gilmore Girls."

Old WB image campaigns feature the young stars of the network's signature series huddled together on couches and goofing off for the camera, or looking pensively into the distance on The WB's backlot, surrounded by light grids and

ladders and other production equipment. These videos, backed by nostalgic, cheerful music, lead to a feeling of undeniable hope and possibility.

And it's that feeling that I will miss most after The WB exits the airwaves. So, goodnight to the WB, and good luck to the CW. The new network has a lot to live up to.

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night with a live jazz group.

**Major suggestions:**

While the concrete floors and bare walls look fantastic, they're horrible for sound. DJs often sound like their playing in a tin can.

**Citrus Lounge - West - 14614 W. Center Rd.**

The newest edition to the West Omaha lounge scene, the only thing that sets this place apart from places like Red Lounge and The Marquee is its non-smoking policy and emphasis on being Omaha's first champagne lounge. Otherwise the interior decor theme is the same and the shopping-mall locale is the same and the West Omaha demographic look as though they all shop at the same place, namely Village Point. Nonetheless, it's fresh, clean, sleek and chic.

**Major Suggestions:**

Don't renew your membership to the McDonald's-ization of nightlife.

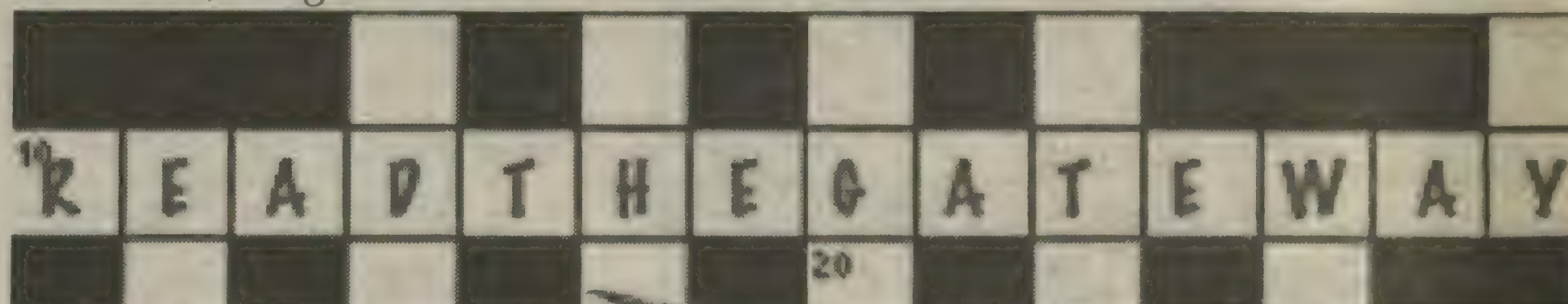
**Shag - Underpass District - 707 N 114th St.**

From Omaha's bar man, Terry O'Halloran, Shag has carved a niche in

Omaha. With a retro theme, you'll find velvet couches, leather chairs, tiki masks, pool tables, live shadow dancers, dance floor and a reputable band selection, Shag is O'Halloran's culmination of experiences in his Las Vegas travels. And while his retro-themed bar has a unique look, I always wondered if the bar's name and theme on the Web site, shagvodkabar.com, was a copyright infringement on the self-proclaimed artist, Shag. As for the bar back, the place has the widest selection of vodka. And as for the music selection, Shag offers various bands. Thu. is always hot, but for me, Sun., with house band the Jazzwholes, is where it's at. The Jazzwholes blend a fusion of rock, blues and jazz and have a more loyal following than "Star Trek."

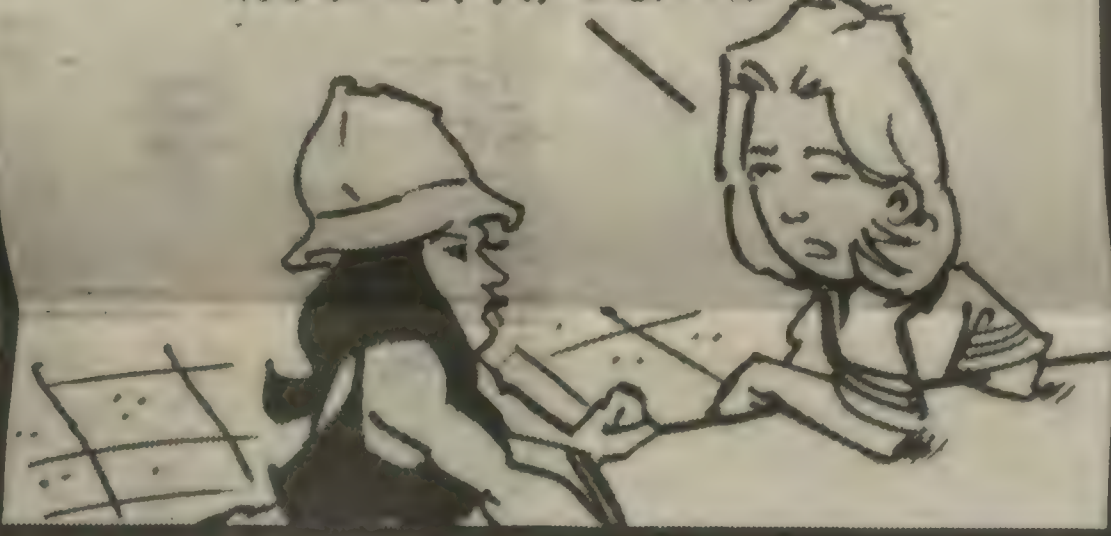
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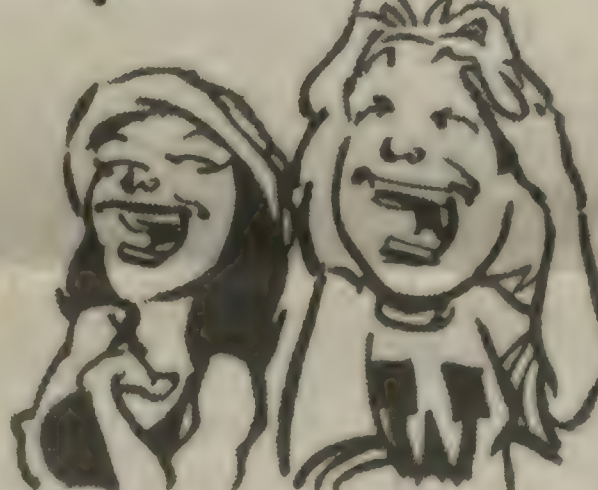


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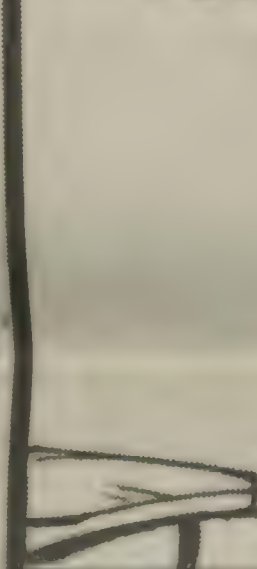


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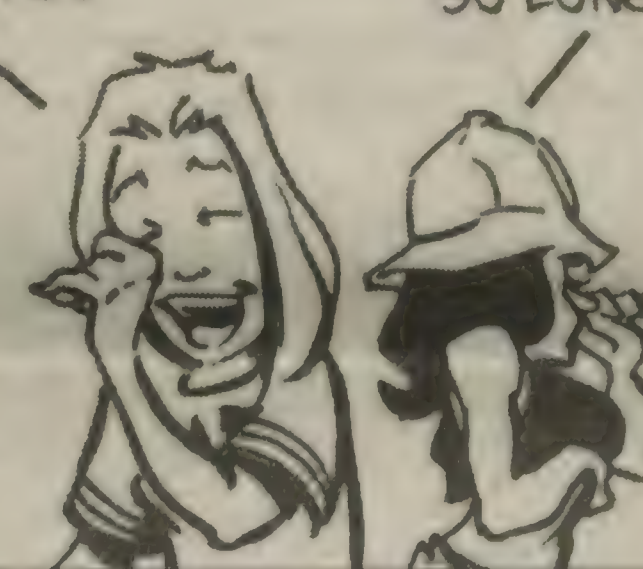


www.cartoonistforhire.com

THEY'D SPIT IN IT FOR SURE!



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by Aaron Warner

For more athletics calendars see the Welcome Back issue on stands Aug. 22.

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## Advice from experienced Mavericks



Andrew Cumbee, Senior  
Vice President of the Inter-Fraternity Council, President of Lambda Chi Alpha, A&L  
Editor of the Gateway  
Footwear: flip flops

*Get involved.* I'm not only talking about the Greek system, although it has changed my life for the better and is a great starting point. I'm talking about anything possible. Seek out the clubs and organizations tied into your major. Look for the groups that deal with your interests outside of class. Join the clubs people like you.

Being involved opens doors. It gives you lifelong friends. It introduces you to your future competition for jobs and your future co-workers. And above all, it gives you the skills and knowledge you need for life; The skills and knowledge that you could never get from going to class or working at that dead end job.



Rita Henry  
Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Services  
Footwear: one pump and one orthopedic boot (for now)

It is a great time to be at UNO! But, as with all things, your experience is what you make of it. So, my advice to you is: Get involved in a student organization, fraternity/sorority or student government. Take care of yourself physically: eat a balanced diet, exercise regularly and do what you need to stay healthy. Be prepared for class: read the assignments and ask questions in class. Be respectful of the other members of the campus community – faculty, staff and students. Perform community service – be a part of something that makes a difference in someone's life. Get to know faculty, staff and students from other cultures. Choose your friends wisely. Make sure you are doing something to be nice to yourself!



Beth McGill, Senior  
UNO Soccer player, pre-Dentistry major  
Footwear: cleats and shin guards

The start of your college career can be quite a lifestyle adjustment. I am a student athlete and I have found that the skill that is vital to succeeding both academically and athletically is time management. You need to break your semester up into weeks, your weeks into days and your days into half days if necessary. This allows you successfully deal with a hectic class and sport schedule without going insane. It might take a week or two but you will start to find all sorts of clever ways to save time. For example, making a sandwich and a snack the night before might save you valuable time and money. By money I mean my freshmen year I accidentally smashed through the vending machine trying to knock loose my caught Runts. That ended up costing me more than the dollar I anticipated.



Michael Skau  
Professor, Department of English  
Footwear: athletic shoes

1. You should work especially hard in your first-year writing courses: these classes can teach you how to shape and express your ideas effectively and can also provide you with strategies of organization and development that can help your writing seem intelligent even when you have little to say.
2. You should not count on last minute cramming: many subjects have become so complex that, if you fall behind early, you will keep falling further behind.
3. You should not depend only on the Internet for your research. Take a walk on the wild side: read a book or two.
4. Head On: Apply directly to the forehead.



Angi Sada, Senior  
Editor in Chief, UNO Gateway  
Society of Professional Journalists  
Maverick Chapter, President  
Footwear: pink Chuck Taylor All-Stars

In college you'll occasionally feel like nameless and faceless. But, you and I both know that you're not. Prove it. Be yourself. Dress the way you've always wanted. Color your hair. Get a tattoo. Pierce something. Explore yourself. Find your voice and shout as loud as you can. Let go of your childhood, but not your youth. Stay energetic. Stay true. Stop doubting your abilities. Don't underestimate yourself. Do something out of character. Help a stranger and don't expect to be a hero. Have a good time. Make friends with your opposite. Fall in love. Heal from heartache. Sing without care. Dance in the Pep Bowl. Go to class. Ask for help. Offer to help. Take a fun class. Get math out of the way early.



Sharif Liwaru  
Advisor, Student Organizations & Leadership Programs  
Footwear: socks

The best advice is to get involved, whether it's clubs, sports, or other activities. They really add to the college experience, allow you to meet different people and are so much fun.

Talk to everyone. It's cool to venture out and meet people who aren't like you. You're going to meet some of the greatest friends you will ever have and have some of the greatest experiences of your life. Take advantage of all of it! Don't forget where you came from, know where you want to go and what goals you want to achieve. Share all of this with others. If you developed immature habits in high school like sitting on furniture and making out: Let it go! Oh, and wear deodorant. Seriously.



Steve Massara, Senior  
Student Body President/Regent  
Footwear: running shoes

The most essential advice I can offer for students attending UNO is to urge involvement on campus. We are a commuter institution with only a small percentage of students living on campus, making it difficult to connect socially and professionally. The best way to meet new people is to find something you are passionate about and pursue that activity. Student Government was an outstanding fit for me and it has helped shape my communication, leadership, and conflict resolution skills. If Student Government does not interest you, UNO has over 120 student organizations of every subject and domain. Becoming a well rounded individual is pivotal in life pursuits and involvement in college can be the catalyst for your future success. Good Luck!



Katie Sup  
Academic Advisor  
School of Health, PE, & Recreation  
Footwear: faux moccasins

Four words. You are in charge. From this point on, you are in charge of your own life – the good, the bad, and sometimes the ugly. Many of you have already been in charge – you have families or work full time jobs; but now there is an added element of responsibility – your education. For UNO students it is all about time management. You decide how much time you are going to put into each section of your life – academics, socializing, work, family, and your health. Some areas need more time than others, but as I have said before, it is up to you. Find your balance. Stay on track, try something new and don't be afraid to ask questions.



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## American Multicultural Student Agency

AMS promotes awareness by weaving an understanding of and appreciation for diversity into the life of the institution.

Phone: 554-3696

## Network for disAbled Students

NdS supports disAbled students, as well as those who are not disAbled, by educating everyone on a number of topics.

Phone: 554-2368

# Your voice Four agencies to

## What is Student Government?

The student government is the representative and governing body of the students at UNO. SG-UNO is responsible for allocating more than \$250,000 in student fees each year. Our main function is always representation. SG-UNO strives to uphold and communicate views, opinions and concerns of the student body to university administration, faculty and the Omaha community.



Student Government offices are located on the first floor  
Phone: 554-2620 Web: [sguno.unomaha.edu](http://sguno.unomaha.edu)





### International Student Services

ISS assists international students while making their knowledge and experience available to the rest of the campus population.

Phone: 554-2937

### Women's Resource Center

WRC serves primarily women's concerns, both on campus and within the Omaha community.

Phone: 554-2730

on campus.

help you succeed.



### Meetings

Student Government meets Thursdays at 7 p.m. (except during breaks and summer). Check in the student government office for locations.

### Elections

Student Government elections will be held Oct. 3 and 4. Stop by the office to pick up your application!

of the Milo Bail Student Center.

E-mail: [sguno@unomaha.edu](mailto:sguno@unomaha.edu)





# The student ID – Your ticket to instant savings, financial survival

JAMEE CLASEN

SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Whether you're an incoming college freshman, or a veteran of the ramen noodle and Hy-Vee-brand diet soda diet, chances are you can appreciate saving some money. Gas prices are outrageous and living on your own is not cheap. Luckily, some businesses around Omaha take mercy on the continuously-broke student and offer great discounts with the flash of a valid student ID.

For the health nuts, **Wild Oats Natural Marketplace** offers 10 percent off to students at both locations.

**Pier One Imports** gives 15 percent off to students on regular priced and clearance items during select months. This year the promotion began July 14 and ends Sept. 17.

For the student in need of back-to-school supplies, **Blick Art Materials** gives students 10 percent off all store merchandise.

**Cold Stone Creamery** has a "buy one get one free" special for students on medium-sized ice creams on Mondays and Tuesdays.

**Cost Cutters** gives students \$3 off all haircuts and other select services.

**Master Cuts** gives students 20 percent off Monday through Thursday.

**Barnes and Noble Booksellers** doesn't offer a student discount, but teachers and educators can receive 20 percent off their purchases.

All **Douglas Theaters** (Cinema Center, 20 Grand, Village Pointe, Twin Creek and Q Cinema 9) charge students \$6 for tickets.

**The Dundee Theater** also charges students \$6 for tickets.

**AMC Oakview Plaza 24** charges students \$6.50 Monday through Thursday until 6 p.m., until 4 p.m. Friday through Sunday and on holidays. They charge students \$7.50 Friday through Sunday and all holidays after 4 p.m.

**Joslyn Art Museum** charges students \$5 for general admission (regularly priced \$7) and \$30 for a yearly membership (regularly priced \$45). Teachers and educators can obtain a yearly membership for \$35.

When you are in need of a late-

night meal, or just craving "real" food, **Perkins** gives students 10 percent off during all business hours.

**The Double Tree Hotel**, located at 7270 Cedar St., charges \$86 (plus

tax) for students. The Double Tree downtown, however, does not give student discounts.

**Valentinos** has three specials for students. They can receive a large one-



photo by Patrick Doty

UNO students receive a discount at Wild Oats' juice and java bar at both Omaha locations.

## Connecting YOU to your future...

Career Exploration & Outreach provides you with the following services:

- On-line job listings and resume posting on UNO CareerConnect
- Career preparation workshops
- On-campus interviews
- Job fairs and other career events

For more information about these and other services, stop by ESB 211 or call 254-4632

topping pizza for \$10.99, a medium one-topping and an order of bread sticks for \$10.99 or a small one-topping pizza, 10 hot or BBQ wings and six bread sticks for \$10.99.

**Home Team Pizza** offers free delivery to students who live on the UNO campus.

**The Omaha Press Club**, located on top of the First National Bank downtown, offers discounted student memberships for \$5 a month, with no annual food or drink requirements. Room rentals, however, are not free with the discounted membership.

**Wellington's Body Works** offers 10 percent off all hair, nail and tanning packages at their 120th and Blondo location.

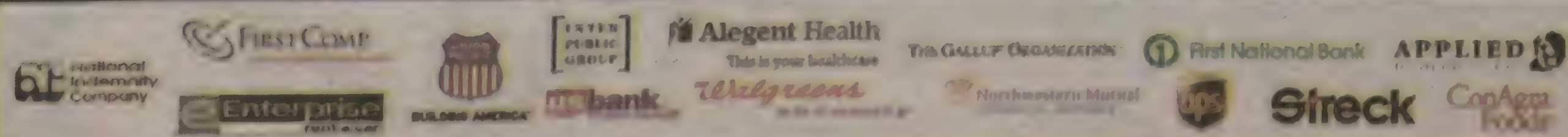
**Electric Sky Tanning Salon**, located at 6909 S. 157th St., gives students a 20 percent discount on all lotions and tanning packages.

**The Orpheum** sells tickets to most events for \$7 to students, while regular adult tickets cost anywhere from \$15 to \$75.

Being a student can be expensive, but it has advantages too. Hopefully, the next time you are in need of a haircut, craving some pizza or on your way to the latest movie, you will remember to use your student ID as your ticket to instant savings.

Comments?  
Concerns?  
Complaints?

Write the Editor at  
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## New semester means new library

CASSY LOSEKE  
STAFF WRITER

The Dr. Guinter Kahn Addition of the soon-to-be named Dr. C. C. and Mabel L. Criss Library will be finished this fall and open to students by the first day of classes.

"We're ahead of schedule," said Library Dean Steve Shorb.

He explained that a company based in Texas is in the process of moving the more than 600,000 books the library holds into a more open and accessible space.

"[The workers] have been working non-stop; seven days a week, 12 hours a day for the past 28 days," Shorb said. The 14 men brought 206 rolling book carts and a hydraulic stack lifter to help with the undertaking.

George Killian, the campus architect, has also been involved with the project since his arrival in June 2005. While he wasn't part of the design stage, he has helped make decisions that may save the university and students thousands in the future. He said that he feels it is vital in protecting tax dollars by looking to invest in sustainability.

"We don't have crystal balls just like anyone else does, so we try to make the best decisions based on experience and knowledge for the university from an investment type of standpoint," Killian said.

He added that a project for the library at

such a financial magnitude will probably not happen for another 25 to 30 years.

"Where we get handcuffed is the budget," Killian said. "We have to bring the budget in on mark."

But while the budget has been influential in Killian's decision making, Shorb said that the project remains to be on budget despite the innovative lighting and shelving systems as well as state-of-the-art technology.

There will be six additional group study rooms that will be fully equipped with 46-inch LCD monitors, DVD players, PCs and in-ceiling projection.

Another elevator, a garden area on the north side of the addition, restrooms and additional seating areas are being added along with a café that will serve Starbucks-made coffee and sandwiches that Food Services will be selling. The area will bring an Internet café feel to the addition and provides students the opportunity to continue studying while eating. And if cash is necessary, students will no longer have to make a jaunt to the student center, as First National Bank is providing an additional ATM for the campus.

"We'll have the whole nine yards," Shorb said.

The dedication ceremony for the addition is scheduled for Oct. 11.



photo by Patrick Doty

Construction on the library's new addition nears completion and will be dedicated Oct. 11.

## Kaneko installation



photo by Patrick Doty

One of artist Jun Kaneko's installers, Alex Comminos, steadies the sculpture before it is wheeled over a 900 pound table. The sculpture itself weighs 1600 pounds and cost \$65,000. Kaneko requested special light to be installed and that no books face the sculpture.

# Attention!

## ALL International Students with F & J Visa

- If you have health insurance not from UNO, you will be billed for UNO insurance.
- In order to waive the charges, your plan must be reviewed by Marcia Adler at Student Health Services, MBSC 1st Floor before September 8, 2006.

This must be done each semester!





# Campus Security

Eppley Administration Building, Rm 100

— Help Us Help You! —

## **Security**

- Buildings are patrolled 24 hours daily.

## **Personal Safety Checks**

- Individuals who may be working alone, outside of normal working hours are encouraged to contact Campus Security. Security officers will periodically check on your safety while you are on campus.

## **Extras**

- Campus Security provides assistance to motorists 24 hours daily, to jump-start your vehicle, open a locked vehicle, and change a tire in certain situations, for vehicles on campus only

## **Emergency Messages**

- Should your family or friends need to have an emergency message delivered while you are in class or on campus, have them contact Campus Security. Emergency messages will be delivered in case of a medical emergency or a matter of life or death.

## **Personal Escorts**

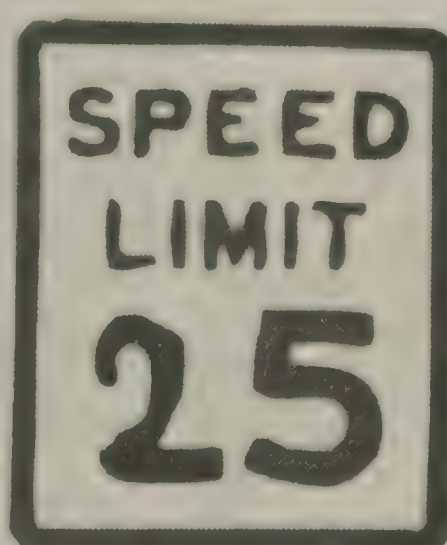
- The escort service is available for individuals any time at their request while on campus. Contact Campus Security at 554-2648 to arrange for the escort.

## **Emergency Procedures**

- The University emergency number is 4-2911.
- There are telephones on campus that can be used to report an emergency.

## **Suspicious Persons or Crimes in Progress**

- Should you witness a crime in progress, or other emergency, use the campus emergency number 4-2911.



*Please Obey the Signs!*

## **Parking & Traffic**

- Shuttle service is provided from the South Campus lots 5, 6, 7 and 9-*permit required*.
- Remote parking is provided from the Crossroads Parking Structure at 72nd and Cass Streets-*no permit required*.
- Contact Campus Security for a shuttle schedule and remote parking locations.

## **Lost and Found**

- Campus Security maintains the lost and found system. Contact Campus Security for lost items.

## **Fingerprints**

- The Campus Security Department provides a fingerprinting service for individuals who require fingerprints for local, state and federal positions and for children of students, staff, faculty and alumni.

## **Blue light Emergency Phones**

- Blue Light Emergency Phones are located throughout campus. Use the phones to report emergencies or to contact Campus Security for assistance.

## **Operation I.D.**

- Your stereo tape-deck, calculator, or other personal belongings may be engraved to aid in finding lost or stolen property.
- Stop by the Campus Security Office and check out an engraver and instructions to engrave your property.

## **Medical Emergency/Personal Injury**

- Call 4-2911 to report a medical emergency or a personal injury. Campus Security officers will respond and render assistance.
- Campus Security officers are trained to provide basic first aid, CPR and the use of an A.E.D. (Automatic External Defibrillator).

## **University Building Keys**

- Campus Security is responsible for the control of the University key system.
- Eligible University employees should make requests for University keys through their department chairperson to Campus Security.

## **Theft or Damaged Property**

- Should you have items stolen or damaged, report the incident as soon as possible to Campus Security.

**See Campus Security Home Page**

**([www.unomaha.edu/security](http://www.unomaha.edu/security)) for Campus Safety Alerts!**

**Campus Security • 554-2648**



## UNO clubs ready to serve all

CHARLEY REED

ASST. ARTS & LEISURE AND PEOPLE EDITOR

When applying for college or any scholarships involved in pursuit of that education, there is one category many students seem to always have trouble filling. That pesky section asks what clubs, organizations or volunteer work they have done in their high school career.

organizations for students looking to take Liwaru's advice to heart. There is a professional organization or special interest group for seemingly every fraction of the spectrum.

For those bitten by the communications bug, Ad Club, Society of Professional Journalists and the UNO chapter of Public Relations Student Society of America are great options.



photo by Michelle Bishop

Tristan Holton (left) and Andrew Williams are members of the UNO fencing club, one of many club options on campus.

As those same students will soon find out, getting involved with your school and its organizations is a necessity, not only for college applications but job applications as well.

Luckily for them UNO has more than enough organizations in which to get involved.

For those interested in getting involved, Student Organizations and Leadership Programs should be a student's first stop for information and advice.

This parent organization is home to three sub-groups that are influential in how things operate around campus.

The Student Programming Organization provides many entertainment events for students throughout the year.

Student Government is where strong-minded students can help shape how the university serves their peers.

For those wanting to get involved in shaping social life on campus, there are a trio of Greek Councils that oversee the sororities and fraternities on campus.

Sharif Liwaru, organizations advisor for SOLP, said it's important for incoming freshman to get involved early on in their college careers.

"They [freshmen] generally have a lot of passion about being involved in something," Liwaru said. "If they are able to capitalize on that by getting involved with an organization early, it's going to carry the organization really far and at the same time introduce them to new people."

UNO is home to dozens of diverse

Those with a penchant for politics can get involved with the basic groups like College Democrats or College Republicans, but also sink their teeth into specialist organizations like Americans for Informed Democracy or Socialist Alternative.

Religious, ethnic and special interest groups are as varied and diverse as the student body, and even student athletes can find programs at the professional and intramural level at UNO.

Life-long academic? UNO offers the Honors Program and dozens of specific honor societies.

Even upperclassmen or transfer students shouldn't feel that it's too late; several years at college can actually maximize a student's time in an organization, Liwaru said.

"You learn a lot in an organization in a short period of time," Liwaru said. "If you're accepting responsibilities, volunteering where need be, stepping up and maybe even taking an officer position, the skill set that you're going to learn from that are going to be helpful for those in college."

If any of this has sparked an interest, make time on Aug. 24 to take in the Clubs and Organizations Fair outside of the Milo Bail Student Center, where students can meet and greet a majority of the organizations and clubs that UNO has to offer.

For those still not finding anything that interests them, there is no need to fear. Liwaru encourages students to stop by the SOLP offices on the first floor of the Milo Bail Student Center and start an organization of their own.



photo by Patrick Doty

Campus security officer Tim Ponti watches the many closed circuit television screens in the campus security offices located in the Eppley Administration Building.

## Campus Security keeps watchful eyes on UNO day and night

ALLISON MEIER

STAFF WRITER

Dressed in uniform and always available on the UNO campus, Campus Security officers help out with safety, vehicle problems and are proud to serve the UNO community. The UNO campus has 23 uniformed security officers who work in three shifts; there is never a moment that UNO goes unpatrolled.

While they are mostly seen directing traffic and patrolling parking lots, there are many jobs these officers perform that may go unnoticed. They answer calls, unlock doors inside campus buildings and dorms, respond to medical emergencies and assist with car problems. They are also all trained in first aid, CPR and with automatic external defibrillators.

Along with helping with theft and damaged property calls, they are here to escort the UNO public to cars, as well as check in randomly for those alone in labs, offices

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Throughout north and south campus there are 29 Code Blue phones where campus security can be immediately contacted. Each has a bright blue light on top of them. It is also good to know that there are public phones on every floor of every building; these are labeled with a red plaque. Along with these forms of contact, keep in mind that flagging an officer down is always acceptable. "They are happy to help," said Paul Kosel, assistant manager of Campus Security.

Kosel goes on to remind faculty, staff and students "to be aware of your surroundings, know where you're at and report anything suspicious. Things do get lost and stolen and we are happy to help, but keep your eye out."

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## Hockey faces unique challenges as sole D-I program at UNO

JASON GLENN  
SPORTS EDITOR

In college athletics, structure is important. Not just within a particular program or on a certain team, but through the assignment of Division I, II or III status and the organization of regional conferences. Making sure that like-sized schools with like-sized resources match up against one another gives at least the impression that competition is fair and equal.

But this is hockey.

"If you look at normal circumstances, one university would have a straight across-the-board classification," UNO hockey head coach Mike Kemp said. "Hockey is a very different animal."

With the exception of football and basketball, the NCAA allows colleges to play up a level in one sport without changing the overall classification of the school. In many cases, it's the hockey team that gets to tangle with the bigger boys.

To some coaches, this would seem a

daunting proposition; to Kemp, it's what makes college hockey so special.

"We have a few Division III programs; we have a few Division II programs, who are playing at the Division I level," Kemp said. "So as a result of that, it's interesting because we do have kind of a real cross-section."

Interesting though it may be, it also presents distinct obstacles to success as a "smaller-than-thou" program. The nature of pro hockey and the increased visibility of competing on a national stage means that a coach can't always plan on having a player around for a full four years.

"You try in every way, shape and form to plan for early departures," Kemp said, "but you never really know when they're going to occur. You have to be nimble and ready to make quick decisions and quick changes depending on what happens out in the world that you don't really control."

That uncertainty makes it imperative for coaches to always stay on the lookout for new talent and have a backup plan should



photo by Michelle Bishop

The UNO Maverick hockey team returns to the home ice Oct. 20 at 7:05 p.m. for the Mutual of Omaha Stampede at the Qwest Center. According to gomavs.unomaha.edu, all UNO students receive free admission to all home sporting events.

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## 2006 Hockey Schedule

Tue, Oct 10	Manitoba (Exhibition)	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Fri, Oct 13	Nissan Tourney - Colorado College	Anchorage, AK	8:07 p.m.
Sat, Oct 14	Nissan Tourney - Alaska Anchorage	Anchorage, AK	10:07 p.m.
Fri, Oct 20	Mutual of Omaha Stampede	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Sat, Oct 21	Mutual of Omaha Stampede	Qwest Center	4:05/7:05 p.m.
Fri, Oct 27	Western Michigan *	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Sat, Oct 28	Western Michigan *	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Fri, Nov 3	Alaska-Fairbanks *	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Sat, Nov 4	Alaska-Fairbanks *	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Fri, Nov 10	Michigan *	Ann Arbor, MI	6:35 p.m.
Sat, Nov 11	Michigan *	Ann Arbor, MI	6:35 p.m.
Fri, Nov 17	Miami (Ohio) *	Oxford, OH	7:35 p.m.
Sat, Nov 18	Miami (Ohio) *	Oxford, OH	7:05 p.m.
Tue, Nov 21	Minnesota State, Mankato	Mankato, MN	7:35 p.m.
Fri, Nov 24	Notre Dame *	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Sat, Nov 25	Notre Dame *	Qwest Center	7:35 p.m.
Fri, Dec 1	Bowling Green *	Bowling Green, OH	6:05 p.m.
Sat, Dec 2	Bowling Green *	Bowling Green, OH	6:05 p.m.
Fri, Dec 8	Bentley	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Sun, Dec 10	Bentley	Qwest Center	2:00 p.m.
Fri, Dec 29	Princeton	Princeton, NJ	6:00 p.m.
Sat, Dec 30	Yale	New Haven, CT	6:00 p.m.
Fri, Jan 5	Lake Superior State *	Sault Ste. Marie, MI	6:35 p.m.
Sat, Jan 6	Lake Superior State *	Sault Ste. Marie, MI	6:05 p.m.
Fri, Jan 12	Bowling Green *	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Sat, Jan 13	Bowling Green *	Qwest Center	7:35 p.m.
Tue, Jan 16	Minnesota State, Mankato	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Fri, Jan 19	Ferris State *	Big Rapids, MI	6:05 p.m.
Sat, Jan 20	Ferris State *	Big Rapids, MI	6:05 p.m.
Fri, Jan 26	Northern Michigan *	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Sat, Jan 27	Northern Michigan *	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Fri, Feb 2	Michigan State *	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Sat, Feb 3	Michigan State *	Qwest Center	7:05 p.m.
Fri, Feb 9	Notre Dame *	South Bend, IN	6:35 p.m.
Sat, Feb 10	Notre Dame *	South Bend, IN	6:05 p.m.
Fri, Feb 16	Ohio State *	Omaha - Civic	7:05 p.m.
Sat, Feb 17	Ohio State *	Omaha - Civic	7:05 p.m.
Fri, Feb 23	Alaska-Fairbanks *	Fairbanks, AK	10:05 p.m.
Sat, Feb 24	Alaska-Fairbanks *	Fairbanks, AK	10:05 p.m.
Fri, Mar 2	1st Round - CCHA Playoffs	TBD	TBD
Sat, Mar 3	1st Round - CCHA Playoffs	TBD	TBD
Sun, Mar 4	1st Round - CCHA Playoffs	TBD	TBD
Fri, Mar 9	2nd Round - CCHA Playoffs	TBD	TBD
Sat, Mar 10	2nd Round - CCHA Playoffs	TBD	TBD
Sun, Mar 11	2nd Round - CCHA Playoffs	TBD	TBD
Fri, Mar 16	CCHA Final Four	Detroit, MI	TBD
Sat, Mar 17	CCHA Final Four	Detroit, MI	TBD
Fri, Mar 23	NCAA Regionals	TBD	TBD
Sat, Mar 24	NCAA Regionals	TBD	TBD
Sun, Mar 25	NCAA Regionals	TBD	TBD

\* Conference Game

## Soccer coach stays modest about personal accolades, awards

JASON GLENN  
SPORTS EDITOR

School from 1987-97.

It's tough to get Don Klosterman to talk about himself.

Despite being named the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Division II coach of the year after leading the UNO women's soccer team to the national championship last season, Klosterman doesn't hold individual honors in high regard.

"Well, I kind of looked at it a little bit different," Klosterman said. "Those kind of things don't mean anything. They really don't."

Klosterman, the only coach UNO soccer has ever had, prefers to focus on the bigger picture.

"The thing that was more gratifying to me about the whole season, the way it ended, the championship, is that to start a program seven years ago with that dream and to have that dream really happen, here in Nebraska with Nebraska kids at UNO is

really more special to me than anything that happened afterwards," said Klosterman.

The St. Louis, Mo., native earned his master's degree from UNO in 1985 and is a 1974 graduate of Benedictine, where he also served as the men's head coach from 1979-83. He was the Creighton University men's coach from 1984-86 and was the head boy's soccer coach at Omaha's Millard South High

he and his team was able to accomplish this year," UNO athletic director David Herbster said. "He is very deserving of the award and I think it says a lot about the man who has literally built the soccer program here from the ground up."

Regardless of how little praise he will accept, Klosterman's record in his seven years at the helm is hard to match. He has led the team to five North Central Conference championships and four straight trips to the final four and compiled a 124-26-4 record overall, going 47-9-1 in the NCC and 13-3-1 in the NCAA tournament.

"The thing that's important," Klosterman said, "is that we compete, that we play hard, that we do the best we can and represent the university."

That means more than just winning soccer games to the coach. It means running a program that turns out

good scholars and responsible citizens, and gives back more to the community than it receives.

"These guys are awesome people," said Klosterman. "We have a [cumulative] 3.465 GPA and they did that while going to a national championship. Those are things that are way, way, way more important than some 'coach of the year' thing."



photo by Michelle Bishop

Klosterman is the only coach the UNO soccer program has ever had.



## Football looks for stars to emerge



photo by Michelle Bishop

According to gomavs.unomaha.edu, admission to Mav football games at Caniglia Field is free for all students.

JASON GLENN  
SPORTS EDITOR

Losing 17 seniors from last year's North Central Conference-winning team has put a big question mark on who the players to watch are going to be in the UNO football team's upcoming campaign.

"That's a trend that always happens in athletics and in football," head coach Pat Behrms said. "So the people that we're looking forward to are kind of unknowns

at this point. Just how good we can be is probably going to depend on the first couple weeks of the season."

Offensively, the Mavs will be looking to first-team All-American tight end Zac Herold to anchor the receiving corps and junior lineman Ben Hochstein to lead in the trenches. On defense, the senior trio of Tarvis Banks at defensive end, Kenny Onatolu at linebacker and Jason Jones at safety will provide experience and leadership.

The 2006-07 Mavericks will kick off the season at home Sep. 2 against intrastate rival Nebraska-Kearney before heading down I-29 the following week to face last year's NCAA II runner-up Northwest Missouri State in Marysville. After that, conference play begins with an 1800-mile road trip to take on Western Washington in Bellingham.

Summing up the first half of the season, Behrms sees opportunity in a formidable challenge.

"It might be the most difficult five weeks we've ever had," he said. "But I like our guys, I like what we've got, we'll just have to wait and see."

## 2006 Football Schedule

Sat, Sep 2	Nebraska-Kearney	Caniglia Field	6:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 9	Northwest Missouri State	Maryville, MO	1:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 16	Western Washington *	Bellingham, Wash.	1:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 23	Augustana *	Caniglia Field	6:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 30	Minnesota State, Mankato *	Mankato, MN	1:00 p.m.
Sat, Oct 7	Open		
Sat, Oct 14	North Dakota	Caniglia Field	1:00 p.m.
Sat, Oct 21	Minnesota Duluth *	Duluth, MN	1:00 p.m.
Sat, Oct 28	St. Cloud State *	Caniglia Field	1:00 p.m.
Sat, Nov 4	South Dakota *	Vermillion, SD	2:00 p.m.
Sat, Nov 11	Central Washington *	Caniglia Field	1:00 p.m.

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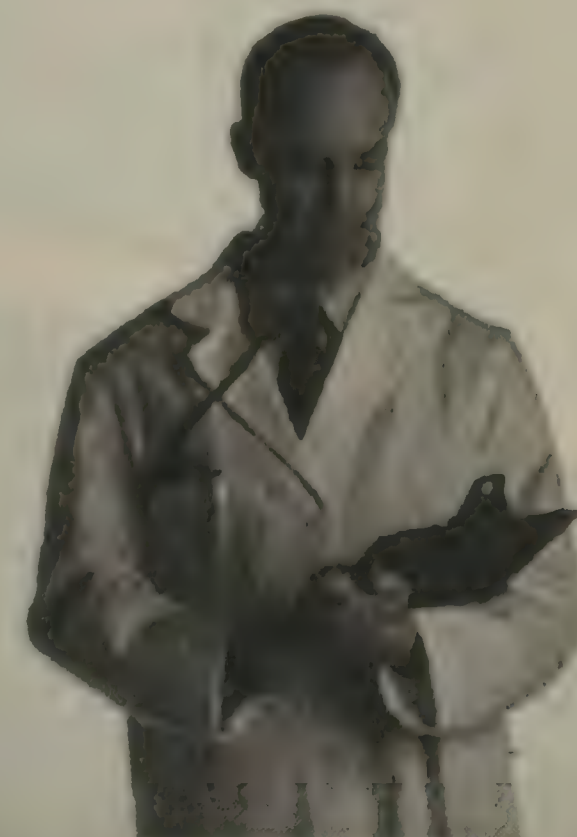
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## UNO runners circle competition

JASON GLENN  
SPORTS EDITOR

For the 2006-07 UNO cross country and track teams, youth and a full roster will be key elements to improving on strong showings last year. The fact that their main rival will be a bit depleted won't hurt either.

"We've got some awfully good kids," head coach Tim Hendricks said. "And South Dakota lost more than we did and they're kind of our nemesis in the conference."

Leading the pack for cross country will be All-North Central Conference junior Tahnee Tuenge, who finished seventh at last year's NCC championship meet. Junior Kaylen Harris and sophomore Kelly Mertes should also figure prominently, having both finished last season in the top thirty.

On the track team, sophomore Molly Belling will be in everyone's sights after her

outstanding performances last year. Despite toe problems, Belling set various school, meet and stadium records over the course of the season and was named the NCC Outstanding Athlete and the North Central Region's Athlete of the Year. Senior Laverne Monger, who also notched meet records and individual titles in sprint events, will bring experience and leadership to the young squad.

One of the biggest developments for the team, though, is the addition of athletes in the field events, which have been a points vacuum over previous seasons.

"That's what killed us in the past," Hendricks said. "South Dakota wasn't beating us on the track; they were beating us in the throws. For the first time in about three years, we'll have every single event covered."

## 2006 Cross Country Schedule

Sat, Sep 2	UNO/CU Invite	Chalco Hills	10:00 a.m.
Sat, Sep 16	Woody Greeno/NWU Invite	Pioneer Park	10:00 a.m.
Sat, Sep 30	NCAA Pre-Regional	Wayne, NE	10:00 a.m.
Fri, Oct 6	Coyote Invite	Vermillion, SD	4:00 p.m.
Sat, Oct 21	NCC Championships	Vermillion, SD	10:00 a.m.
Sat, Nov 4	NCAA Division II Regionals	Wayne, NE	10:00 a.m.
Sat, Nov 18	NCAA Championships	Pensacola, FL	10:00 a.m.

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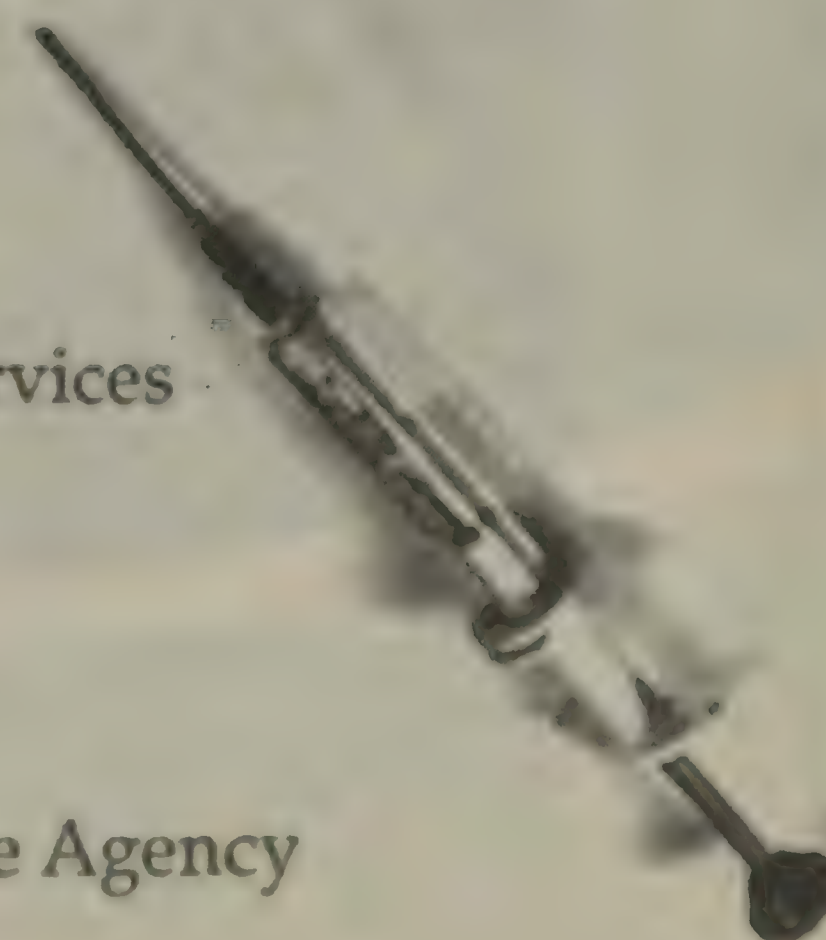






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The UNO women's volleyball team is set to bump up the adrenaline level against I-80 archrival Nebraska-Kearney on Sept. 21 at Sapp Fieldhouse.

## Volleyballers set sights sky high

JASON GLENN

SPORTS EDITOR

Just making it to the 2006 NCAA Tournament won't suffice for head coach Rose Shires and the UNO volleyball team.

They want to be in the last dance.

"Our goal this year is to make the championship game," said Shires. "The seniors are set on that goal and they're going to be taking everybody else with them."

Having graduated five starters, Shires will be looking for seniors Stacie Wemhoff and Christina Reicks to take the reins of a relatively young team.

"Both have done a great job this summer of working hard and directing the team where they want to go," said Shires.

Also sharing the leadership load will

be juniors Katie Agnew, Carlie Christensen and Nicole McLeod.

"The five of them together," Shires said, "really have a great vision for the team."

That vision will be augmented by what Shires considers to be one of the best recruiting classes ever at UNO.

"All six of my incoming freshmen have the opportunity to start and play significant roles on our team," Shires said.

Standing in the way, though, will be pivotal matches against Minnesota-Duluth, North Dakota, Minnesota State Mankato, an up-and-coming Augustana squad and the season-opener at home against perennial rival Nebraska Kearney.

"It's always a war when we play Kearney," Shires said, "and it's just one of the best games of the year."

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## 2006 Volleyball Schedule

Sat, Aug 19	Alumni Match	Sapp Fieldhouse	5:00 p.m.
Thu, Aug 24	Central Missouri State	Warrensburg, MO	7:00 p.m.
Fri, Aug 25	St. Mary (Kan.) Jennies Challenge	Warrensburg, MO	3:00 p.m.
Fri, Aug 25	William Jewell Jennies Challenge	Warrensburg, MO	7:00 p.m.
Sat, Aug 26	Pittsburg State Jennies Challenge	Warrensburg, MO	12:00 p.m.
Fri, Sep 1	Emporia State - Missouri Western Tournament	St. Joseph, MO	2:00 p.m.
Fri, Sep 1	Fort Hays State - Missouri Western Tournament	St. Joseph, MO	6:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 2	Missouri Western - Missouri Western Tournament	St. Joseph, MO	12:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 2	Northwest Missouri State - Missouri Western Tournament	St. Joseph, MO	4:00 p.m.
Tue, Sep 5	Wayne State (Neb.)	Wayne, NE	7:00 p.m.
Fri, Sep 8	Fort Hays State - Lady Blues Classic	Topeka, KS	9:00 a.m.
Fri, Sep 8	Truman State - Lady Blues Classic	Topeka, KS	1:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 9	Washburn - Lady Blues Classic	Topeka, KS	9:00 a.m.
Sat, Sep 9	Emporia State - Lady Blues Classic	Topeka, KS	3:00 p.m.
Fri, Sep 15	Minnesota Duluth *	Duluth, MN	7:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 16	Minnesota State, Mankato *	Mankato, MN	7:00 p.m.
Thu, Sep 21	Nebraska-Kearney	Sapp Fieldhouse	7:00 p.m.
Fri, Sep 29	North Dakota *	Grand Forks, ND	7:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 30	St. Cloud State *	St. Cloud, MN	4:00 p.m.
Tue, Oct 3	Northwest Missouri State	Sapp Fieldhouse	7:00 p.m.
Sat, Oct 7	Minnesota State, Mankato *	Sapp Fieldhouse	6:00 p.m.
Tue, Oct 10	South Dakota *	Sapp Fieldhouse	7:00 p.m.
Fri, Oct 13	Minnesota Duluth *	Sapp Fieldhouse	7:00 p.m.
Sat, Oct 14	Augustana *	Sioux Falls, SD	7:00 p.m.
Sat, Oct 21	North Dakota *	Sapp Fieldhouse	6:00 p.m.
Tue, Oct 24	Upper Iowa	Sapp Fieldhouse	7:00 p.m.
Sat, Oct 28	South Dakota *	Vermillion, SD	4:00 p.m.
Tue, Oct 31	Augustana *	Sapp Fieldhouse	7:00 p.m.
Sat, Nov 4	St. Cloud State *	Sapp Fieldhouse	4:00 p.m.

\* Conference Game

## Soccer seeks second title

JASON GLENN  
SPORTS EDITOR

Four is a big number for the UNO women's soccer team.

In their fourth consecutive Final Four appearance last year, the Mavericks won the NCAA II championship and they're returning four seniors who helped make it happen.

"The group we have coming back is really a major, major core of our team," head coach Don Klosterman said. "They're great people and have worked really hard."

Beth McGill, Amber Richardson, Tricia Braziel and Megan Herzberg have all been to three of those Final Fours, and their experience and leadership will be a big key to the team's success.

McGill, a two-time All-American and one of last year's leading scorers, and Richardson, who scored twice in the championship game, anchor an offense that returns the majority of goal scorers from last season, including sophomore Amanda Iwansky, who tied for the season total.

Gunning for UNO's crown will be three conference rivals who made it to the national tournament last year - North Dakota, Minnesota State Mankato and South Dakota.

"We're always going to run into that," Klosterman said. "The biggest block for us is just overcoming that, just making sure that our guys know that every single game there's going to be, 'now you're national champions,' so every single team is going to be playing probably better than they've ever played in their life."

But Klosterman said responding to tough situations is what sets this team apart.

"The final two games last year, we were down by a goal in both games and came back and won. Those kind of experiences, those kind of things that happen to a team can't be measured."



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The UNO soccer team starts their quest to repeat as NCAA II champions Aug. 24 against Minnesota-Crookston at Ak-sar-ben Field.

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## 2006 Soccer Schedule

Sat, Aug 19	Iowa St.	Ames, IA	6:00 p.m.
Thu, Aug 24	Minnesota-Crookston	Ak-Sar-Ben Field	5:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 2	Truman State	Ak-Sar-Ben Field	1:30 p.m.
Sun, Sep 3	Missouri Southern	Ak-Sar-Ben Field	1:30 p.m.
Fri, Sep 8	Augustana *	Sioux Falls, SD	4:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 9	Texas Woman's	Ak-Sar-Ben Field	1:00 p.m.
Sun, Sep 17	Minnesota Duluth *	Duluth, MN	1:00 p.m.
Fri, Sep 22	South Dakota *	Ak-Sar-Ben Field	4:00 p.m.
Sun, Sep 24	North Dakota *	Ak-Sar-Ben Field	1:00 p.m.
Wed, Sep 27	Wayne State (Neb.)	Ak-Sar-Ben Field	4:00 p.m.
Sat, Sep 30	St. Cloud State *	Ak-Sar-Ben Field	1:00 p.m.
Fri, Oct 6	Augustana *	Ak-Sar-Ben Field	4:00 p.m.
Sun, Oct 8	South Dakota *	Vermillion, SD	1:00 p.m.
Sat, Oct 14	St. Cloud State *	St. Cloud, MN	1:00 p.m.
Sun, Oct 15	Minnesota State, Mankato *	Mankato, MN	1:00 p.m.
Fri, Oct 20	North Dakota *	Grand Forks, ND	3:00 p.m.
Sat, Oct 21	Mary	Grand Forks, ND	11:00 a.m.
Fri, Oct 27	Minnesota Duluth *	Ak-Sar-Ben Field	3:00 p.m.
Sun, Oct 29	Minnesota State, Mankato *	Ak-Sar-Ben Field	1:00 p.m.
Fri, Nov 3	NCAA Division II First Round	TBA	TBA
Sun, Nov 5	NCAA Division II Second Round	TBA	TBA
Sat, Nov 11	NCAA Division II Quarterfinals	TBA	TBA
Sun, Nov 12	NCAA Division II Quarterfinals	TBA	TBA
Thu, Nov 16	NCAA Division II Finals	Pensacola, FL	TBA
Sat, Nov 18	NCAA Division II Finals	Pensacola, FL	TBA

\* Conference Game

## Hockey team ready to take to the ice

JASON GLENN  
SPORTS EDITOR

In only the ninth year of the program's existence, the UNO hockey team made it all the way to the NCAA tournament.

That doesn't mean they're resting on their laurels.

"Our kids have got a very strict training regimen they do in the summer," head coach Mike Kemp said, "because it's a time we can have some really significant gains in strength that we can't get during the season."

Kemp wants to make sure that his players are ready for the challenges that come from the larger schools the Mavericks face as UNO's only

Division I program.

One of the players that will have the biggest impact is first team All-American and Central Collegiate Hockey Association Player of the Year Scott Parse.

"His return for his senior season is really a key for our success," Kemp said, "because when you return a player who's been able to do what he's been able to do year in and year out throughout his college career it really does give you a leg up on the opposition."

Kemp also pointed to juniors Bryan Marshall and Mick Lawrence and sophomores Tomas Klempa and Adam Bartholomay as players who

could be major offensive contributors to the team.

Even though expectations are high, Kemp maintained that short-term goals are the most important step in getting back to the big show.

"First and foremost is to make sure we have a top four finish in the CCHA in order to gain home ice advantage and a bye in the first round of the CCHA playoffs," Kemp said. "Win the regular season CCHA conference championship and win the CCHA playoff championship which automatically qualifies us for the NCAA tournament. And then, obviously, your goal out there, your dream goal, is the NCAA championship."

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Nickelback's Chad Kruger sings during a February show at Omaha's Qwest Center. The band will play at the Kemper Arena on Sept. 16 in nearby Kansas City, Mo.

## What to look forward to in concerts for the beginning of semester

CHARLEY REED  
ASSISTANT A&L/PEOPLE EDITOR

If there is one thing about summer that everyone can enjoy, it is music. No matter what your favorite group is or if you prefer local music over national acts, there is always something for everyone during summer break. Now that school is starting back up, some might think that the summer rush is over, but as the days get shorter and the temperatures get colder there are still plenty of local and national acts on tap that are worthy of our hard-earned dollars:

**Aug. 22** - Amber Pacific, The Audition and October Fall - Sokol Underground

**Aug. 23** - 10 Years, Emphatic and Venaculas - Sokol Auditorium

**Aug. 23** - John Fogerty and Willie Nelson - Starlight Theatre - Kansas City, Mo.

**Aug. 23** - Marty Casey and the Lovehammers - Knickerbockers

**Aug. 24** - 2006 Family Values Tour with Korn, The Deftones, Stone Sour and Flyleaf - Verizon Wireless Amphitheater - Kansas City, Mo.

**Aug. 25** - Flaming Lips and Sonic Youth - Harrah's Casino Council Bluffs

**Aug. 25** - Anchondo, VKS and Patrick Lentz - Knickerbockers

**Aug. 26** - Buddy Guy and Robert Cray - Harrah's Casino Council Bluffs

**Aug. 26** - Swizzle Tree and Orenjesta - Knickerbockers

**Aug. 26** - The Jazzwholes and The Big Wu - Knickerbockers

**Aug. 26** - Omaha Metalfest III with Narcotic Self, Dirtfidd and Idle Apathy - The Rock

**Aug. 27** - 5150s, Crushtone

and the DT's - O'Leavers Pub

**Aug. 30** - Both Guns Blazing, Sin and Stalemate - Sokol Underground

**Sept. 2** - Darkest Hour, Miser Signals and From a Second Story Window - Sokol Underground

**Sept. 7** - Honey Tribe featuring Devon Allman - Murphy's Lounge

**Sept. 8** - Al Green and R-Style - Mid-America Center - Council Bluffs, Iowa

**Sept. 15** - TOOL - Kemper Arena - Kansas City, Mo.

**Sept. 15** - Theta Chi/Sigma Kappa Rockfest 2006 with A Moment Lost, After the Fall and Prospect Avenue - UNO Parking Lot V

**Sept. 15** - James Brown - Harrah's Casino Council Bluffs

**Sept. 16** - Nickelback - Kemper Arena

**Sept. 19** - Godsmack and Rob Zombie - Verizon Wireless Amphitheater

**Sept. 21** - KT Tunstall - Liberty Hall - Kansas City, Mo.

**Sept. 21** - White Whale - Sokol Underground

**Sept. 22** - Criteria, Pattern is Movement and Tie These Hands - Knickerbockers

**Sept. 22** - Violent Femmes - Harrah's Casino Council Bluffs

**Sept. 24** - Sufjan Stevens - The Pageant - St. Louis, Mo.

**Sept. 29** - Toby Keith - UMB Bank Pavilion

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COLLEEN O'DOHERTY  
STAFF WRITER

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### Taco Bell

An obvious favorite for their now advertised "4th meal" between dinner and breakfast, this place will work just as well for any of the other meals. Their food is cheaper than dirt, but tastier. And more unhealthy. It does work to sate that Tex-Mex craving, though.

Keep going just a bit further west...

### Chipotle

Home of the giant-ass burrito that can actually work as two meals. While not as cheap as the Bell, it is certainly tastier. They have giant burritos, tacos, salads, chips and dips, and drinks. It's six or so dollars for a burrito, but as I said, it works for two meals.

### Noodles and Company

If you are a devout follower of the Church of Carbs are the Devil, than this place is Heretic Heaven. Noodles prepared in a whole variety of ways, from Thai noodles to plain old marinara-topped. They also have yummy rolls and flat bread.

Again, usual price is in that seven or eight dollar range (depending on what you get), but it's good and can keep you full for some time. It's right next to the Chipotle.

### Jason's Deli

Across the street from Noodles and Chipotle, this place is a little on the healthier side. Deli sandwiches, salads, soups, veggies, fruit, cookies, chips and some other good stuff are all offered here.

### Jimmy John's

This place is actually on 72nd, just a smidge south of Dodge. Many of my friends

consider this place their Mecca. Their main draw is that they deliver. That's right, you don't have to go to Jimmy...he'll come to you.

Continuing on your epic journey down Dodge...

### Olive Garden

Okay, this place seems pricey, but if you know where to look on the menu, it isn't so bad. Their lunch specials are really reasonable, especially the never-ending soup, salad and bread sticks. You'll be full for days (or at least several hours). They have tons of great pasta dishes and the desserts are amazing (the tiramisu makes my taste buds do a happy dance).

### Applebee's

Again, you have to know where to look on the menu sometimes, but this place is fun to go to with friends, and they've got good burgers and chicken. They also have some good desserts.

### Chili's

Yes, the place that brought us the ever-so-catchy and irritating, "I want my baby-back, baby-back, baby-back...Chiiiiiii's baby-back ribs!"

You don't have to get the ribs. They have pretty good chicken strips, fries, appetizers and other Applebee's-type fare (why they're located so close together on Dodge is beyond me).

### Subway/TCBY

That's right...they're combined. There is a God. You can have a sandwich and then attempt to escape the heat with some frozen yogurt. They have waffle cone specials on Wednesday, so you save some money when you get your frozen treat.

### The Food Court at the Crossroads

Here, you have a variety to choose from. Want pizza and French fries, both cravings can be accommodated. There are a few places here, including a Burger King and a cookie place. It's not five-star dining, but you can always chill in the mall once you've finished eating.

That's a lot of places. There's a few more, but chances are that you will stumble upon them as you go to these other places. So when school food gets boring, now you know where to go. Enjoy.



photo by Michelle Bishop

Jimmy John's is just one of many cafeteria alternatives near the UNO campus.



# MacBook: Apple's ideal college computer drops into students' laps

COMMENTARY BY  
RYAN RAKOWSKY  
STAFF WRITER

It is state-of-the-art but still easy to use, elegant yet simple, and fun while still functional. And yes, of course, it's made by Apple – a company that has somehow managed to balance these qualities throughout its entire product line.

Starting as low as \$1,049 at the Apple store with the education discount, Apple's new MacBook has just about everything a college student could ask for in a laptop computer, and if purchased before Sept. 16, college students even receive a free iPod nano or a \$179 credit toward a larger iPod with mail-in rebate.

The MacBook, which was released this spring amid much fanfare, replaces the iBook in Apple's notebook lineup. It's available in either white or black, and all models include a built-in iSight video camera and a super-bright 13-inch glossy display. All Apple notebooks include wireless Internet cards and Bluetooth connectivity for cell phones and other wireless devices.

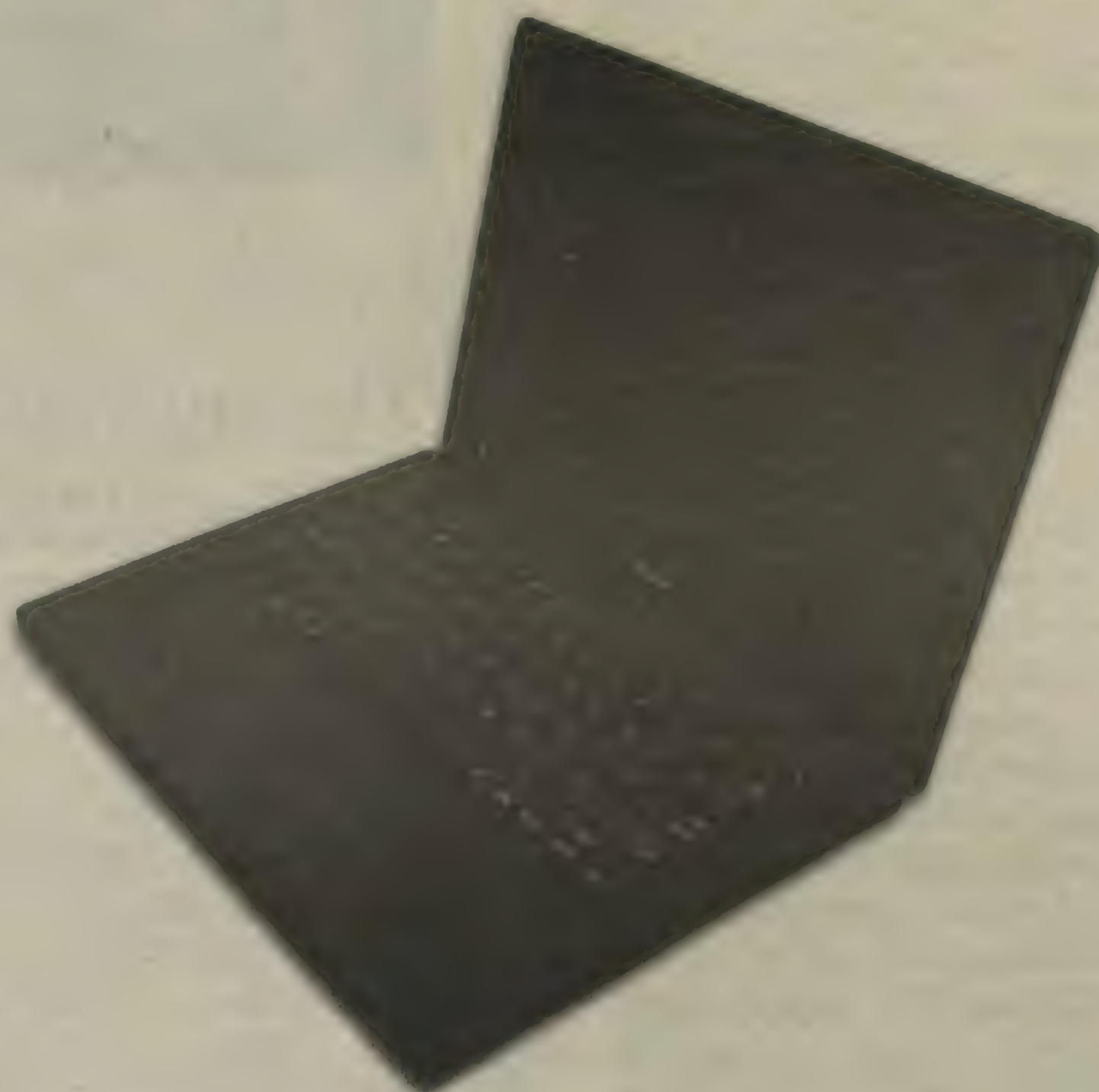
The \$1,049 model has a white finish and sports a 1.83GHz Intel Core Duo processor, a CD burner and a 60GB hard drive. The same model with a DVD burner and a 2.0GHz processor runs at \$1,199.

If a black finish is more to your liking, you can upgrade to the \$1,399 model, which additionally has a slightly larger 80GB hard drive. (The MacBook does look remarkably sharp in black, but is it really worth the extra \$200? You decide.)

Chief among the cool and unique

features of the MacBook is the Apple Remote and Front Row media application. Using the remote control, users can play DVDs and access their music, video, and picture libraries. Another exclusive feature is the

system has a sleek, clean and bright look, and performing tasks such as opening windows, alternating between applications and shuffling through windows is done with a fluid-like animation. The Spotlight



MagSafe power adapter, a breakaway magnetic power connection that won't yank the laptop off the table in the event that someone trips over the cord. The latch to the computer is also magnetic; there's no need to push a button to open it. The computer itself is super-compact, just over an inch thick.

Then there are the benefits of Mac OS X, standard on all Apple computers, an operating system that is so rarely affected by viruses that it's almost immune. The operating

feature allows searching within text documents to locate hard-to-find files. When an application freezes, which occurs infrequently, it doesn't affect the rest of the system. No "blue screen of death" here.

The iLife suite that is also standard on all Macs is unrivaled by the PC world. iPhoto allows easy uploading and storage of digital pictures, and easy creation of slideshows with music. iMovie does the same for digital home movies, and can be used to splice video clips and insert

effects and music. iDVD assists with burning DVDs, and iCal is an all-purpose calendar application. iChat is an instant messenger program that can be used with AOL Instant Messenger, and can send and receive text messages. The granddaddy of them all is iTunes, a music buying/storing/burning application that is built to connect to the iPod, and is widely regarded as the premier music management system.

Safari is Apple's blazing fast web browser, which has mastered the art of blocking annoying pop-up windows, something that Microsoft's Internet Explorer still can't quite perfect. Safari always allows pop-up windows that you want to open without asking, and successfully blocks unwanted ads and other unsolicited pop-ups.

OS X does have a few drawbacks. For one, some Web sites stubbornly refuse to support video for the Macintosh even though RealPlayer and Windows Media Player formats are compatible. Also, an annoyance is that Apple has yet to release something to compete with Window's Media Center, an application that records TV on your computer. And hardcore gamers might be bothered that certain titles are incompatible with OS X.

If any of these nuisances bug you too much, or you aren't sure if you're ready to fully convert, there's good news: Apple has now released BootCamp, an application that enables Macs to run Windows.

So, there you have it. With the best of both worlds (literally), you can't go wrong. The MacBook has it all, an all-in-one affordable and unquestionably stylish notebook computer.

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## Cursive: Rock for smart kids



ANGI SADA  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

If Stephen Hawking could play guitar, he would most definitely be a member of Omaha band Cursive.

Indie rockers Cursive explore the deep and often murky waters of suburban life with mature arrangements and clever witticisms on their upcoming release *Happy Hollow*. In stores on Aug. 22, *Happy Hollow* will be Cursive's first full-length studio album since 2003's *The Ugly Organ*. And it is the most intelligent and ambitious project they have ever taken on.

Not just about the suburban norm, but Kasher looks across the board and questions the role of the church, a frequent target of his through the years, in everything from the intelligent design debates to homosexuality.

While Cursive employs a horn section, an accordion and an always-strong set of guitars, the real star of the album is Kasher's songwriting. He has evolved into a storyteller of Hemmingway-type proportions. He has moved to a place in songwriting where he can tell other people's stories effectively and passionately, a true sign of artistic growth and wisdom.

The storyline is always gutsy, forward and occasionally brooding. Saving moments of levity for other avenues like their recent live performances (including this year's Lollapalooza festival), Cursive has cemented

themselves as a true mountain of intensity in the flatlands of the Great Plains with *Happy Hollow*.

Tied neatly together in an airtight package as 14 hymns for the heathens, the album is purely for the intellectual. With a thicker sound than the melodically beautiful *The Ugly Organ*, which draped itself over you like a hot, wet blanket on a summer day in Omaha, *Happy Hollow* is full of layers of sound cleanly placed on top of each other by music magician Mike Mogis.

The powerful single "Dorothy at Forty" is a smart and angry rant about the despair of the working class. Starting with Matt Maginn's furious bass, it boasts nearly punk guitar and drums provided by Ted Stevens and Clint Schnase, respectively, matched up with the impassioned vocals that make a Cursive record a Cursive record.

The anthemic "Rise Up! Rise Up!" is really a call to minds more than arms. Kasher encourages listeners to think for themselves while taking another stab at religion.

The key track is really "Dorothy Dreams of Tornados." With an infectious refrain to which any Omaha native can relate, they resurrect the CD's tragic heroine. Also worth more than a couple of listens, "Into the Fold." It is soft and lilting, an almost simmering track complemented by an absolutely angelic voice at the end. I tried to find out the owner of that voice, but ran into a roadblock of sorts. In the ever frilly and glamorous packaging of promotional CDs, there is as little info as possible.

And my contact at Saddle Creek was probably in Chicago cheering the band on at Lollapalooza, where I should have been.

It is rare when I find a CD in which I really cannot find complaint. Cursive has given me just that. With cohesive and sound progress throughout the entire disc, *Happy Hollow* is not a fancy-free summertime frolicking type CD. It is intelligent beyond compare and is probably the most impressive offering from Omaha's Saddle Creek Records since, well, since ever.

This album will definitely find its way onto many critics' top pick list for 2006.

It would be impossible to not place it on mine already.



SPO sponsors many events during welcome week. They brought this band to UNO last year.  
photo by Caelan Millard

## SPO brings entertainment that spans the entire UNO school year

CHARLEY REED

ASST. ARTS & LEISURE AND PEOPLE EDITOR

Incoming freshmen or transfer students will see the name SPO littered across campus on bulletin boards, t-shirts and fliers, and may wonder: "Who or what exactly is SPO?"

"The Student Programming Organization (SPO) is a student-run and student-funded organization providing activities and entertainment for the UNO campus and community," said Eric Hansen, director of SPO. "Its director, board members and committee members are all non-paid volunteers who use SPO as a way to get involved on campus and gain life skills that deal with communication, timelines and responsibility."

One of the quickest and easiest ways for students to get involved on campus is to attend the SPO-sponsored Welcome Week which helps get students acclimated to the new school year.

"We encourage students to get involved with SPO events in particular," said Erin Cron, advisor to the SPO. "It's a great chance for new students to connect with older students."

This year Welcome Week will run from Aug. 21 to Aug. 24 and will include the annual Clubs and Organizations Fair on that Thursday, as well as a free show from local artists Sarah Benck and the Robbers the day

before. Both events will be on the plaza outside of the Milo Bail Student Center.

"SPO is a completely open organization," Hansen said. "It is funded by student fees and uses volunteers to execute its programs."

Hansen also states that because student funds pay for SPO, the types of entertainment brought to campus try to reflect the needs of the students.

"Whether it is a comedian over lunch, or a band on Friday night, there is always something to do with SPO," Hansen said. "This organization offers entertainment and activity throughout the entire school year."

Since students make up the nine-person committee that coordinates these events, anyone with ideas on how to improve the product can do so firsthand.

"There are several ways student can participate [in SPO]," Cron said, "...either by going to the event or as a member of SPO."

In addition to Welcome Week, this semester SPO is coordinating a seemingly endless sequence of events starting as early as Aug. 17. With the 2006 school year not even fully under way, SPO already has events for the 2007 in the works and new events are added to the agenda each day.

A full calendar of upcoming events can be found at <http://studentorgs.unomaha.edu/calendar.php> and any questions about SPO or its events can be sent to Erin Cron at [ecron@mail.unomaha](mailto:ecron@mail.unomaha)

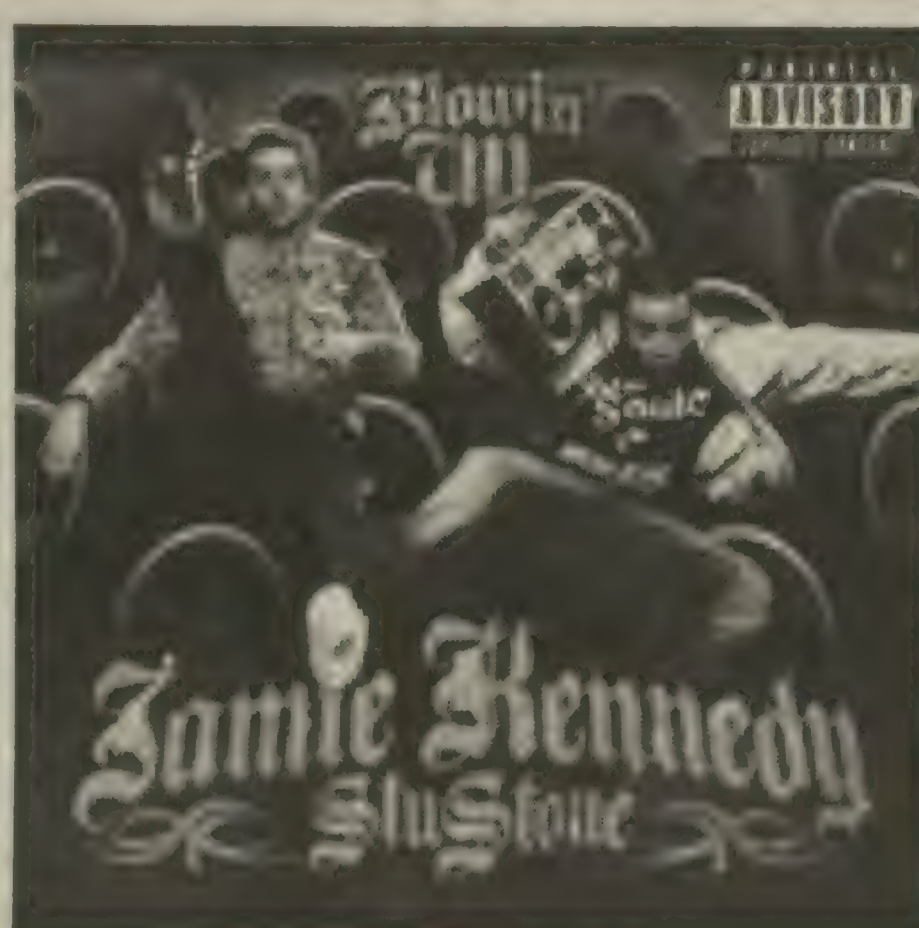
## In short: CD reviews in under 100 words



Tom Petty  
*Highway Companion*  
American

If Tom Petty's new album, *Highway Companion*, is any indication, he's not the kind of guy you'd want to ride with cross-country unless you plan on sleeping the entire way. With tired lyrics and sluggish melodies, Petty's fifteenth full-length album is one that can only be recommended for long-time fans. Even though the name Tom Petty is close to many whose musical tastes were cultivated during 70s, 80s or 90s, *Highway Companion* leaves the question: why he's still making music? Oh that's right...the money.

-Charley Reed



Jamie Kennedy and Stu Stone  
*Blowin' Up*  
JKss

While everyone can agree that *Blowin' Up* was never going to be the second coming of *St. Pepper's*, some surely must have held out hope that Jamie Kennedy could make a comedy album that was at least comedic. Unfortunately, Kennedy's collaboration with friend Stu Stone falls short of even those lowered expectations. Bottom line is that this is an album for those who are already Kennedy fans, so if you think you'll enjoy it or hate it, you're probably right.

-Charley Reed



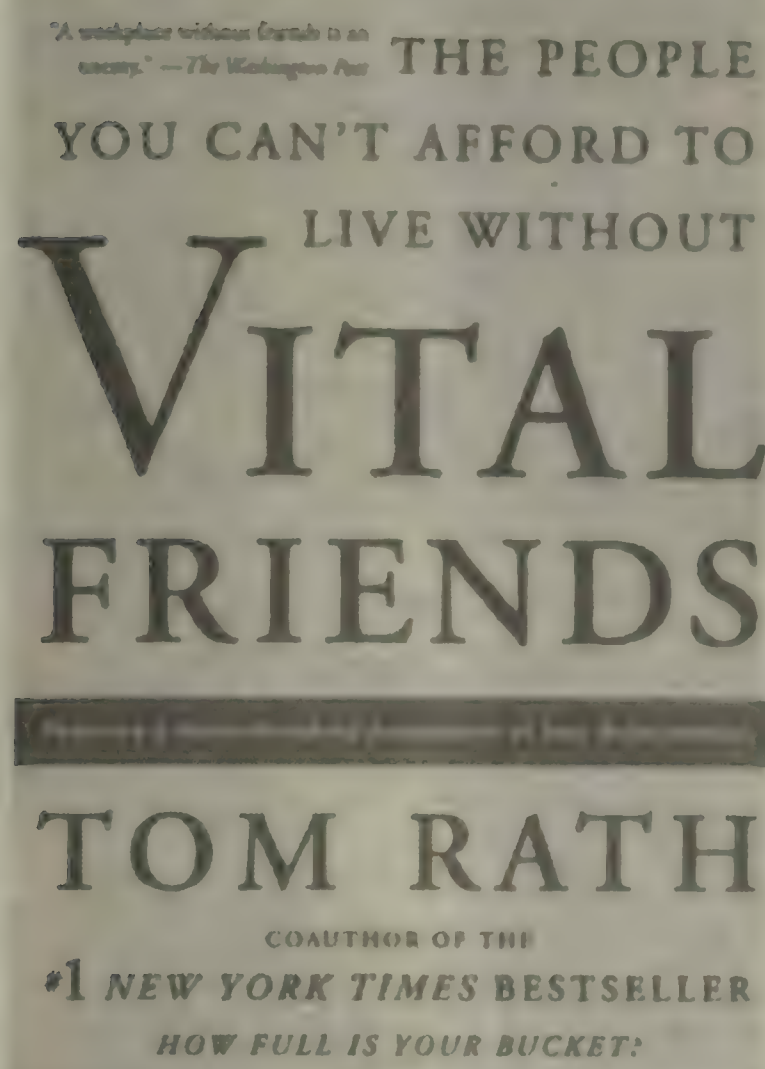
The Black Maria  
*A Shared History of Tragedy*  
Victory

With their second album in as many years, *A Shared History of Tragedy*, The Black Maria tows the line of the Victory Records label that is the home of the modern "screamo" sound. With this album, The Black Maria experiment with synthesized electronic beats throughout the album that work surprisingly well with the band's hardcore sound. While "screamo" is nothing new, there is enough separation between this band and its peers to make *A Shared History of Tragedy*, which drops on Sep. 5, worth a listen.

-Charley Reed



# Vital Friends: Vital reading for those looking to improve relationships



REVIEW BY  
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I'm not your average college student. I really haven't read a book for fun or for class since 2003. I know for most, the last book they read was something from *Goosebumps* in last millennium. But there

was something about *Vital Friends: The People You Can't Afford to Live Without* that got me hooked.

I really don't know what it was. Maybe it was the place I am in my life. Maybe it was that something threw me off about my current generation of friends. I don't know, but, for the first time in my life, I read a non-fiction book and I couldn't be happier that I took the time to do it.

*Vital Friends* is not just a good read. It is an important book and it will gain more and more recognition in the years to come. Author Tom Rath has discovered something through his research that others haven't even considered before. I take that back. Not just "something." Many things.

This book is a tough one to describe. It's one that every reader will take something different from. *Vital Friends* tears apart the current view of what a "friendship" is in modern society.

To sum up the book simply, I'll offer this synopsis: *Vital Friends* basically says that there are eight types of friends. These friends are ones that we all need in our lives, whether the roles are played by the same people or not. We all need specific

things from our friends. That's why some friendships work and other don't. Obviously, the book goes into much more detail than this, but now you know what you would be getting into.

Rath covers the subject from all aspects. He starts with a summary of what has occurred in the past (which is almost nothing) and then ventures off into the "why" of what is important about friendships in our lives. It turns out that it's a lot.

The figures that Rath provides are astounding. All of his information comes from surveys conducted over the last five years and research studies conducted by him and other researchers. Everything points to the simple fact that it is our friends that make us better and it is us that make them better. It's a relationship that has long been misunderstood and mistreated.

Rath visits each type of "vital" friend (different from "best" friends because of the fact that the term "best friend" has lost its significance over the years). He explains what the eight different types are, what they do for us, why we need them, how we can find them, and what to do if we are

those specific types. The book covers all the bases, although it admits that being the first of its kind, there is much more information to come on the topic in the future.

A lot of the book concentrates on friends in the workplace. Having a friend at work improves the quality of your life more than you could ever know. Not only that, but it increases productivity and makes life easier on management. *Vital Friends* will definitely kick off a revolution in this aspect whether it reaches the masses or not.

It even offers you access to a website just for you so that you can chart and track all of your friendships in real life. For a cover price of around \$22, *Vital Friends* offers a lesson that can't be expressed monetarily.

*Vital Friends* is a quick read. It only took me two sit-downs to plow through it. I learned an enormous amount of information from it. I learned things that will definitely strengthen the relationships I value in my life. It's given me plenty to think about. I know this book is the beginning of a change in how the people view their friends. If you have the time to read outside of class, this book is a must.



Fox Broadcasting Company

American Idols Katherine McPhee and Taylor Hicks hold hands moments before Hicks was named the season five winner.

## Celebrity wrap-up for summer 2006

COMMENTARY BY  
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PEOPLE EDITOR

I believe the famed comedienne Sarah Silverman got it right when she said, "Its fact, because I heard it somewhere." Well Sarah, I too have heard it somewhere. I have heard the news, I have seen the pictures, I have listened to the interviews and paged through every tabloid imaginable. Look no further, the facts are here. The readers called, and I answered. Why did Star Jones get kicked off "The View"? Why did Lance Bass come out of the closet? More importantly, who is Lance Bass? All questions worth asking and all answers worth giving. Here before you lies the truth (or at least the facts) that I of course heard somewhere.

Star Jones leaves a dent in daytime talk show

The famed co-host of the Emmy award winning talk show, "The View," announced her departure from the show to a shocked crowd on June 27. Jones Reynolds simply said that it was her time to move her career in a new direction. This news came shortly after the announcement that rival Rosie O'Donnell would take Meredith Vieira's place in September. Many "View" fans, like myself, were counting down the days until the "battle of the beasts," as I liked to call it;

but alas, the battle was over before it began. Jones Reynolds later went on to tell the truth about her departure. As Jones Reynolds so eloquently said, "My fans deserved to know the truth about their Star."

Oh Star, where did you go wrong? I think it's a well-known fact that your "star" died the minute your face started appearing in Payless Shoesource commercials. Jones' confusion aside, she was on the show for nine years leaving some big shoes and an even bigger wardrobe to fill.



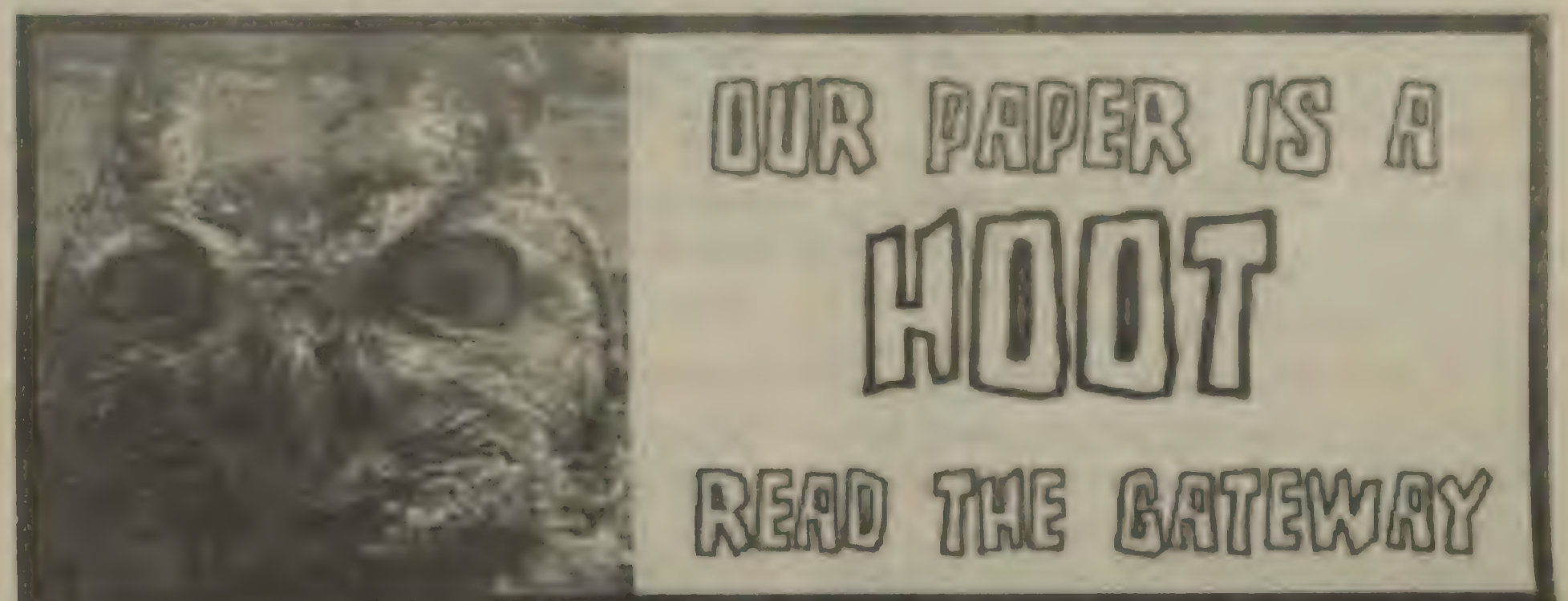
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Lance Bass announced he was gay on the cover of People magazine.

"I want you back," or in his case... well, make your own joke

N'Sync member Lance Bass stepped

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## WB shuts off its lights: While CW gears up to take its place

COMMENTARY BY  
RYAN RAKOWSKY  
STAFF WRITER

The WB, the "only network directly targeted to America's young adults," is closing shop after more than a decade on the air. This fall, Warner Brothers is shutting down its network, as is the CBS-owned UPN. In this age of corporate belt-tightening and profit-maximizing, both parent companies have given up on their fledgling networks, which have been losing money for years.

It was big news when the companies announced this January that WB and UPN would be joining forces to create a brand new broadcast network called The CW (C for CBS, W for Warner Brothers).

CW will now be home to each networks' most successful series. "7th Heaven," "Gilmore Girls," "Smallville," "Supernatural" and "One Tree Hill" will make their way over from The WB. UPN's "Veronica Mars," "America's Next Top Model," "Everybody Hates Chris," "All of Us" and "Girlfriends" will also survive the transition.

What we're left with is a greatest hits network. Well, sort of. The WB, for one, has certainly seen better days. While few people would make the claim that UPN was a great network, WB at one time came pretty darn close.

I'm sorry to say I only started watching The WB in recent years, after discovering reruns of the network's "Dawson's Creek" on cable. Some friends of mine had watched

the show in high school, and I remember how lame I thought it was at the time. Every Wednesday night, it was appointment viewing for so many of my classmates. And I do mean *every* Wednesday. Bleh.

When I heard TBS was running every episode leading up to the series finale in May of 2003, I decided to see what all the buzz had been about. What I soon found out is that the series' intense hype was justified, and that my preconceptions about the show were wrong. "Dawson's Creek"

wasn't some chick-flick show just for girls, as I had been so sure that it was. Instead, it was a captivating, well-written and rawly emotional show, and one that had at least one unquestionable appeal. "Dawson's" presented the high school experience we all wish we had. (And for those who doubt the brilliance of the show, especially the skeptical guys, you should watch at least the first season before you knock it.)

In one of its promotional videos, "Dawson's Creek" was described as "the series that helped define The WB and gave a generation a new voice." This is, if anything, an understatement. "Dawson's

Creek" is, after all, the show that gave WB its personality, the first show that comes to mind when WB is mentioned. Gaining respect for WB's defining show led me to finally finding an appreciation for the network itself.

WB apparently had many fine shows over the years, several of which I have seen very little of. Cult-like fan bases existed for



Michigan J. Frog was the WB's mascot for its ten-year run.

Warner Brothers

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Warner Brothers

"Dawson's Creek" was the show that launched the WB to a new level. Now the CW takes over.

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out of his closet on Wed. July 26, letting the world know that he is, in fact, gay. Many questions immediately emerged, the most relevant being, when did he go into the closet? Lance said in a statement that he always knew he was gay but didn't want his sexuality to hurt the marketability of the boy band. Mind you that this is coming from the same Lance Bass who starred in the box-office embarrassment *On the Line*.

Bass admits to being in a stable relationship with "Amazing Race" winner Reichen Lehmkuhl. Lehmkuhl say what?

I certainly hope Lance sticks with his own last name.

**Mel Gibson has a passion for God**

Christian organizations and churches alike have long put Mel Gibson on a holy pedestal for his box-office hit *The Passion of the Christ*. In fact, while promoting his movie, Gibson made clear his feelings against all things "un-Christian."

According to latimes.com, Gibson was arrested on Friday July 28 for drunk driving. Facts show that Gibson blew a .12 BAC, surpassing the legal .08 drinking

## Comic books tackle "war" and "crisis"



Marvel Comics

Marvel Comics brings out an epic fight starring its premiere superheroes in its recent "Civil War" mini-series.

COLLEEN O'DOHERTY

STAFF WRITER

With a whole slew of comic book-based movies out in theatres and more on the way, it seems like a good idea to know what's going on in the land of comic books.

Craig Patterson, manager of Dragon's Lair, a comic book and game store in Omaha, was kind of enough to share some major updates.

For all you Marvel comic fans out there:

A series called "Civil War" is the main focus right now.

"Civil War" follows what happens when the United States government passes legislation forcing all super heroes to register with the government and integrate into current law enforcement.

The Marvel world splits between the heroes whom support registration and those that oppose it. **Captain America** is opposed and tries to get a resistance going. **Iron Man** is pro-registration and recruits others to round up the resistance. Iron Man recruited **Spider-Man** and even got him to reveal his true identity to the world.

Apparently, Iron Man has been manipulating situations to go badly, making his character dubious at this point in the story. Patterson says that Iron Man has also been manipulating Spider-Man.

"I'm pretty sure it's going to come to a showdown between Iron Man and Spider-Man," Patterson said.

The **Fantastic Four** are also divided on the issue as Reed Richards supports registration and the others oppose it.

The **X-Men** have yet to choose a side, but have refused to register, which has landed them in a registration camp.

The story line has been going for two or three months and is slated to wrap up in November. It is a seven-issue series that started with Spider-Man and is slowly tying in all the various Marvel heroes.

"The big question is whether or not it will return to the status quo," Patterson said.

Fans will have to see in a few months.

For the DC adherents:

The big crossover this year has been "Infinite Crisis," a rekindling of a 1980s crisis series. "Identity Crisis" was the storyline immediately preceding "Infinite Crisis" ("ID Crisis" is also in the works to be an animated film).

"Identity Crisis" follows how the **Justice League** (which includes everyone from Superman and Batman to Wonder Woman) deals with some dark secrets in their past. A few members have been abusing their powers and manipulating the minds of others. Batman finds out and his mind had also been messed with.

"Infinite Crisis" made it all bigger and all the heroes were brought together to stop an evil force. In the end, **Batman**, **Superman** and **Wonder Woman** all drop from public view for a year to figure out their lives.

"One Year Later" is the series that picks up when the three heroes return. Currently, the series "52" is running and fills in the gaps of what happened during that year.

There is also a series of four comics out that work as a prequel to the new Superman movie.

cured fellow Idol Katherine McPhee's, McPhee ever epidemic.

I personally thought that the diabetic Elliot Yamin should have taken the gold. Abnormally large ears, bad fashion and crooked teeth aside, that boy could sing!

To all you Katherine fans, don't fret. The McPhee ever hasn't disappeared. It has even taken on a new role, apparently McPhee ever is the new bulimia, everyone's doing it. Funny how she shared her "private" news the minute she disappeared from the media. Planned? Oh Katherine...

limit. Not only that, but, Gibson spouted obscenities offending more than one minority concentrating mostly on people of the Jewish faith. If I do say myself, very un-Christian like. Gibson was released the next morning on a \$5,000 bail.

**Soul Patrol cures McPhee ever**

As "American Idol" season 5 prepared to come to a close, one question remained on everyone's minds. Who would win? America voted, and I'm not afraid to say it, they got it wrong. Taylor Hicks took the million-dollar contract and apparently



## Brief and basic guide to Omaha's club scene

### On The Beat



Brent Crampton

Club spot—I think not. Dive bar—a tad under par. Ultra lounge—I'd rather have an ultra sound.

Having trouble finding your place within the night network? This is the official *Gateway* nightlife guide for abandoning your inhibitions, emptying your wallet and having your next MySpace.com photo snapped.

Now, by no means is this comprehensive. Just as Omaha may have the highest amount of restaurants per capita, we also have the highest slide-by bars per laugh-it-ya. At the same time, I've been in this too long and my philosophies on these places are too in-depth to cover every place worth mentioning. In other words, below are just *some* of Omaha's highlights.

#### Clubs

**Bar 415** - Old Market - 415 S. 13th St.

So you're thinking, "this is a bar and it's in the club section?" Well while 415 may be likened to a corridor in size, it's more like a mammoth in its surprise. Small, indiscrete, off the beaten path - these may throw you off. But as you walk up on a weekend night, you'll hear the "boom boom" beckoning from the DJ before you even see it. As you walk up, you'll be expected to pay a \$5 cover, unless of course you're a patron, or a group of scantily clad women, and then everything is negotiable. Upon walking in, there's a small dance floor to the left (more like a platform), a heightened DJ booth to the right, and the bar, crowd, and balcony in front. Its most evident characteristic is its focal point on electronic music and the DJs that play them. It's where the post-rave generation demographic kicks it when nothing else is going on, where the Middle Eastern and South American exchange students feel slightly at home and where the displaced clubbers formerly from a larger metropolitan city find themselves on the weekends. Also, in short, you'll often find ladies dancing on the bar, the music pumped too loud to talk, hookahs available for smoking, and an arbitrary after hours party happening.

#### Major suggestions:

Get a new sound system and reposition the speakers so they hit the dance floor and not the conversational floor.

**The Max** - Downtown - 1417 Jackson St.

The subtitle to this place should be "Omaha's first official club." They got it right long before anyone else had it in sight. Instead, it's "Best Gay Dance Club in America." And while I don't have the jurisdiction to dispute that, I will say their Sat. nights have lived in infamy for many years. To be correct, they've been in business for over 25 years. In club years, that's measurable to your great-grandmother. With five separate bars, two large dance floors, multiple levels, patio seating and a Birds of Paradise flower vase, the only thing comparable to this club is Nico. But besides Jock Jam dance

remixes on the main floor and hip-hop on the smaller second floor, the largest distinguishing factor is that the Max is in fact a gay club. But non-homophobic members of our community who don't mind seeing shirtless dudes dancing with each other have been frequenting the place for years, especially on Sat. nights.

#### Major suggestions:

Ditch the Jock Jam dance remixes that have been played there for the past decade and book a world-renowned DJ every once and a while.

**Nico** - Underpass District - 11201 Davenport St.

This is the less "souped-up" and a more heterosexual version of the Max. Formerly a defunct Japanese restaurant, the designers of Nico kept the Asian look, and hooked on one of Omaha's best lighting and sound systems. Only open Wed. through Sat., Nico's big night is Sat. where you can find lines out the door and bouncers cramming more and more on the dance floor. And even though the Underpass District's bars are usually crammed on Thu. nights (places like Shag, Murphy's, Fedora's, etc.), Nico gets passed up. The reason: Nico is *the* place for a large assembly. If you walk in and there are 100 people, the place looks dead (they have about a 750 person capacity). Take those same 100 people to most other venues of a modest size and the place seems bumping. So oddly enough, the very thing that sets this place apart from the rest - the large size, sound system, lighting, seating, sleekness of the venue - is the very thing that runs them down on their off-nights. But nonetheless, Nico is likened to a scene out of "Miami Vice." With two separate VIP rooms, reserve/bottle service VIP booths, two separate dance floors, and bass speakers lined all the way across them - Nico is arguably one of the best clubs in Omaha. And if you can't handle the larger-than-life atmosphere of the main club area, there's a small and intimate Buddha Lounge to the left when you walk in. Featuring acoustic acts such as Vlasis, you can perch on the bar or lean on the lush seating next to the fish aquarium. As for the music on the main floor, it's the typical popular dance remixes and current hip hop/pop tunes of the moment.

But I must say, for this type of music, their Saturday night resident, DJ Myth, is *the* most technical and creative in Nebraska. There have been a few nights when I've just hung out in the oddly placed DJ booth just to watch him in the midst of working his music magic, even though I wasn't digging the tunes in between the tricks.

#### Major suggestions:

When you walk up, watch yourself at the door. The bouncers are notoriously homophobic, racist and sexist steroid pumping gym-sters. But as long as you don't mouth off, ditch the baseball caps and stray from any slightly gang-related attire (and this even includes Tommy Hilfiger on their bad days), you'll get in.

**Shark Club** - Midtown - 2808 S 72nd St.

Now there's been a good amount of talk about this place in the past six months, and despite their comeback, I still don't vibe with the place. Maybe that's because I never was a fan of 50 cent Wed. beer night (beers that include Budweiser and Bud Light), and I was never much into hanging with the 30- or 40-something crowd (they do get a good amount of 20-somethings). But this is a college paper, and I understand the subsequent culture of binge drinking, so I didn't want to leave this place out. They do, however, have half a dozen pool tables, an impressive fish aquarium with sharks (hence the name Shark Club), a late-night grill and a suitable lighting and sound system. I just know that if my night-life experiences were a bit dumbed-down, I would so dig this place. And yes, I am jaded.

#### Major suggestions:

Keep booking DJ Shif-D and ditch the "Girls Gone Wild" nights.

**Naughty Lounge** - Southwest - 10730 Pacific St.

While "lounge" is in the title, this place takes on an atmosphere of a club. With a 200 plus person capacity, large dance floor, enforced dress code and top 40 music blasting from the DJ, Naughty Lounge gets very packed on the weekends. While I don't personally frequent this place, I'll give it the gold star for a come back. Over a year ago, the stalls in the bathrooms sometimes outnumbered the amount of people, but with a renovation and a flip-flopping of

management, they came back with a strong presence. The crowd on the weekends is mixed and the women are ready-to-go.

#### Major suggestions:

Just as realtors say, "location, location, location," Naughty needs to relocate. Being tucked away in a shopping mall isn't helping.

#### Lounges

**Red Lounge** - West - 14450 Eagle Run Dr.

Designed by Omaha's night-life entrepreneur, Tom Allisma, Red Lounge is thin, sleek, clean and well-themed. To describe the place in one phrase, it's an upscale, martini sports bar. With multiple flat-screen TVs throughout catching the latest sports thrill, patrons don't find it contrasting to be wearing stilettos while a wrestling match is going on in the background. You'll often find the quintessential West Omaha crowd here, and a big Blue Sushi spill over. The place is small and long, attached to a shopping mall, Red seems to be an early nightspot.

#### Major suggestions:

Ditch the pre-programmed jukebox and beef up the sound.

**1507 Ultra Lounge** - Downtown - 1507 Farnam St.

By far, 1507 has the best aesthetic design in the state. One of the first smoke-free venues, this place is situated with concrete floors, white walls, clean lines and plush seating. There are waterfalls, VIP seating and single-person bathrooms with a flat screen TVs, clear-glass sinks and frosted glass doors. Add this all together and 1507 should be at the top of the Ultra Lounge category. In addition, the unique flavor of the venue has attracted a unique demographic in Omaha. On the weekends, you'll find sophistication, wild-styles and an upscale black crowd. Previously this demographic jumped around to various venues, mostly because there was nothing that exactly fit their cultural needs, but 1507 has provided the platform. On Sat. nights, you'll find DJ Shor-T, proclaimed as Omaha's hardest working female DJ, throwing down new and old hip-hop jams that you'd hear on radio station Hot 107.7. Another notable night is Wed., when they do a spoken word

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## Pin the blame on the leader

Give me a break



Lance Allen

On July 27, 2006, Massachusetts Turnpike Authority Chairman Matthew Amorello resigned from his office, effective Aug. 15. The resignation was in response to the ceiling collapse in one of the Big Dig tunnels on July 10, which resulted in the death of a motorist. Since then, Amorello felt continuous pressure from the public and Gov. Mitt Romney to step down from his position.

I'm not disturbed by the resignation or the fact that Amorello gets to keep receiving his \$223,000 a year salary until Feb. 15, 2007 according to cnn.com. I'm bothered by the fact that yet another person in public office is taking the blame for something they didn't do.

I've been following the story since the collapse, and Amorello was the first individual to take the heat for the incident. I have seen no stories about the investigations of the construction crews who installed the ceiling, the engineers who designed the system or the manufacturers of the steel cables that failed. This is another incident adding to the trend of the blame being placed on the highest person in power. This trend has gone on far too long.

But why does the public tend to attack the figurehead, first and question others later? Why is it so much simpler to blame Mike Brown, former FEMA director, for

the lack of efficiency following Hurricane Katrina? Why is it President Bush's fault that oil prices are so high?

Why? It's easier to automatically place the fault on the person in charge than it is to become slightly more educated about the situation.

In today's world, it seems that no one has time to learn a few pieces of information about how and why things happen the way they do. This type of ignorance is why voter turnout is so low, why pop culture news is just as, if not more, important than international news, and why people like Amorello have to leave their offices.

So how do we as a people go about fixing this problem? How do you cure ignorance? Unfortunately, there's no easy way to do that. We need to start becoming more informed. Flip back a few pages in this newspaper and read the actual news (but finish this article first, of course). Check up on the international news on the Internet in between facebook.com sessions. Start bringing up political subjects in conversations with your friends instead of arguing about who your favorite *American Idol* contestant is.

With all the information available to us these days, we have a duty to become and stay informed on current events and situations. With that information, we have the responsibility to ensure that situations are not wrongly resolved by the most convenient means.

The resignation of Amorello was not necessary. All it proves is that the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority is trying to show that they can produce instant results. It's too bad that those results don't fix a single thing.

Do people really think that those in power control every little item underneath them? Give me a break.

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## Letter to the Editor

As having served in Viet Nam in the 1st Marines, it is my belief that we are in another Vietnam like situation in Iraq. Now it seems Senator Hagel, another V.N. vet may think so also.

Although oil was not the issue in Viet Nam, the way Iraq has been handled is/ can be likened to Vietnam. There fore we can not expect an end that may be to our likening. An old AA saying is, "If you go down a street and fall in a hole, and you continue down that same path day after day and the same thing happens, eventually you might want to cross the street." We as a Nation should now cross the street.

A question one might ask is, "Why we have chosen to enter into these wars and will most likely continue?"

Perhaps it is a question of healing a deep wound that we as a nation/world all share. It is a large infected wound that hasn't healed, and we feel that approaches like Iraq will heal these wounds of the past. However we just create more wounds.

Perhaps as a nation we refuse to admit to a world where equality and balance needs to happen. We believe that there is only one way to heal that wound(s). Violence. i.e. The one with the biggest bomb or kills the most wins. However do they really 'win'.

Perhaps as a solution there needs to be an admittance that we have gone astray from real power and can now be likened to an eagle whose belly is so full it can not fly any more. In our quest for power and fullness, we are now vulnerable and cannot fly.

Here in The United States we have a saying of 'Why fix what is broken? Well Viet Nam was broken. Iraq is broken and has been from the beginning. Admittance of being broken is not just a one person thing. In this case it is a National thing. This may

be a real start as healing those wounds.

We start by saying to others we were wrong; we grieve the losses of our people and their people.

We grieve until we can talk together and grieve together all as one. We look at our differences and applaud them. This only means respect for another's way of life. We grieve the loss of peace. We figure a way to peacefully come together, and reason, and talk. We get rid of the ignorance's and myths of each other. We educate ourselves. We do away with personal agendas' of power and control and consider a whole. We do not "go to bed angry." We lessen the fullness of our bellies and become vulnerable once again. By becoming vulnerable, we can now fly like the eagle we portray ourselves to be.

For those who say this is not real or too difficult, I say it isn't. We do this every day, but not on such a scale. In our day to day relationships this can be and is, done. It is called humility and being humble. This doesn't mean we need to lie down and be walked on. A true warrior is not just courageous. Much to the contrary, humility, humbleness and vulnerability has its' own power and the true warrior owns it.

I don't know any answers for sure. Like every one else I have an opinion. And yet, I do feel the system is broken and it is broken on a world scale. Perhaps who ever we choose as our next National leader, will speak of these things as I have. Perhaps they may have the courage, and we as a Nation have the courage and strength, to admit our wrongs and begin to heal our wounds.

Become vulnerable, and yet find our greatness Perhaps next time we will cross the street.

Ben Nauslar, Student UNO

## Administration should be held accountable to UNO community

I nestled in front of my computer the other day to take a look at my class schedule and switch a couple of courses around on e-BRUNO. I was so excited to see space available in special topics English class; I almost wet myself.

I was appalled and alarmed to discover I couldn't register for it because I have parking tickets. This must be another finance faux pas. There's been a bit of a rash of those around these parts this summer.

I went to see exactly how much I owed "the man" and was blown away to discover that it was only about 13 percent of the cost of the monthly membership dues to a nearby country club and only about 8 percent of a monthly stipend for a pretty white Cadillac. So, what's the big crisis?

The big crisis is how money is managed on this campus and how we, as students, faculty and staff, deal with the administration's ability or inability to "do a checkbook" as my mom would say.

The recent fervor surrounding the recent budget cuts and the discovery of many instances of money misdirection in the athletic department says a lot about what is going on around this campus and community.

People are disturbed by these cuts, but

nearly silent when students needing tutors can't get them. When deaf students nearly lost their interpreters there was barely a murmur on campus. A few years ago, when the English and sociology departments bore the brunt of budget cuts across campus local media failed to do any in-depth investigative reporting to uncover misappropriations.

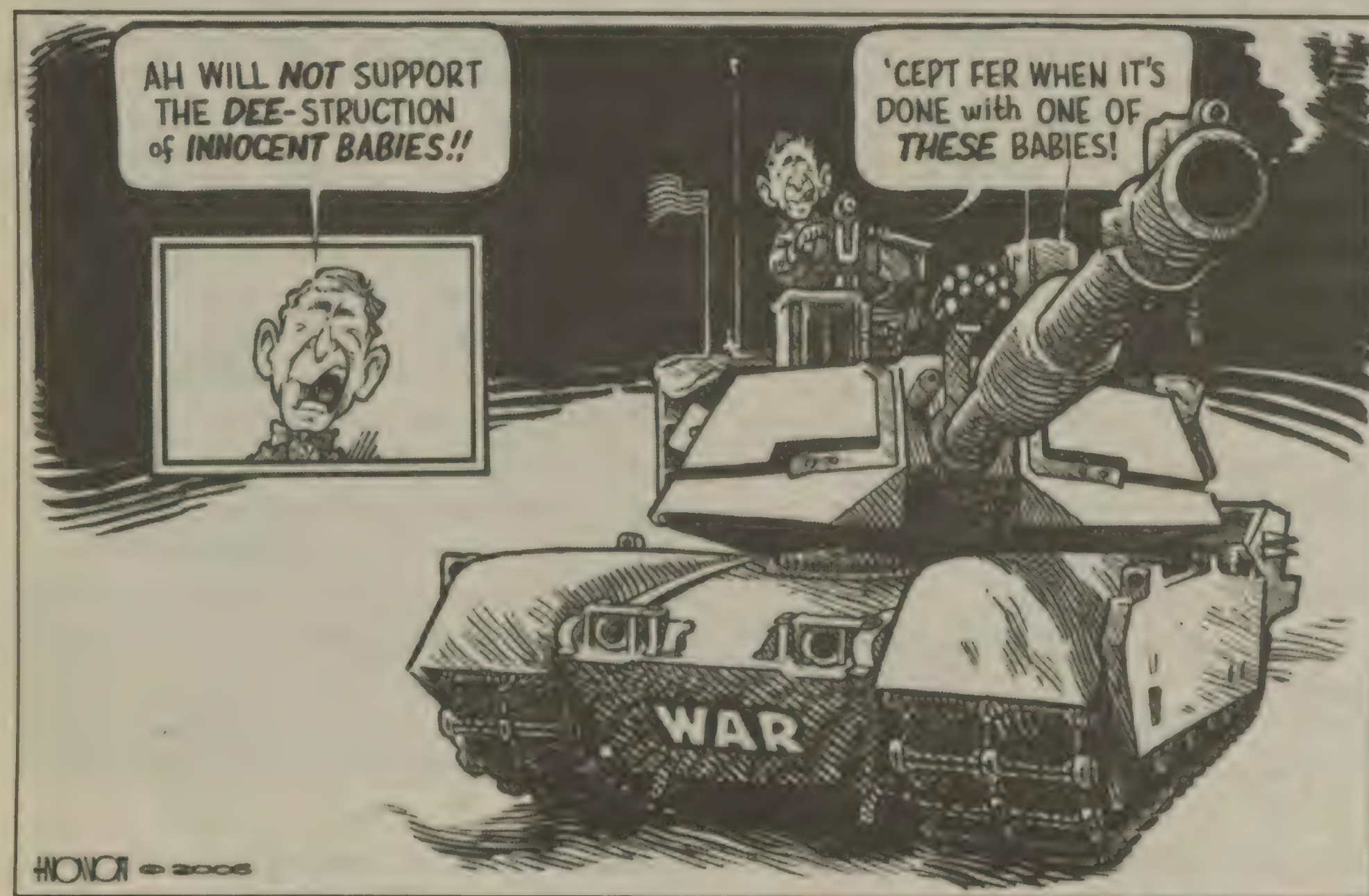
Yet, when the precious hockey team has to cut back on the number of pucks they buy this year everyone is up in arms.

Don't misunderstand me. It is a good thing that someone is reining in the Eppley Administration building's inhabitants and discovering some of the absurd uses of University funds.

Now it's up to us, the students of UNO, to insist NU President J. B. Milliken's planned audit of the athletic department arrives with teeth.

The students of this campus must step up and demand accountability. Administrators should be held to the same ethical standards as students and faculty. We should not be living and learning a "do as I say; not as I do" environment. Were any one of us to disregard the rules and regulations on this campus we would be fined. You know, like a \$20 parking ticket for an expired meter. Or, a student who repeatedly under performs will be suspended. A student caught cheating

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## Above all else; stay true to yourself

I've been strutting down the halls of UNO for a good four years now. Add in my "blurred" freshman year at UNK and that makes me a fifth-year senior. Hey, it's cool. I always tell people I like to do things outside the box. I mean, who graduates in four years? Not me. I like to go against the grain, walk on the opposite side of the street and, apparently, play for the other team. I'm an individual. I'm not perfect. I'm just me.

As I look back at my collegiate memories and experiences, it's actually kind of embarrassing to see how long it took me to get to this point in my life. I'm not ashamed to admit that I was a loser for the majority of my feeble 22 years. I was what I like to call a people-pleasing pushover, "PPP" for short. I was the guy who always tried to fit in, picked up the bill at restaurants and said "yes" in situations that obviously deserved a simple "no" response. I was a PPP professional. It was an easy way to make friends and an even easier way to lose the small amount of personal identity that I had.

I think I realized the severity of my situation when I told my parents I would go to counseling to try and turn "un-gay." I knew it wasn't going to work, but who was I to disappoint? I put a smile on my face, gave my parents false hope, and let the counselor explain to me why I was wrong. I remember sitting there, listening intently. I imagine I was experiencing the same thing that guests on Dr. Phil go through. They know the guys full of shit, but they pretend to be interested. I was such a pushover. First of all, my ex-gay counselor was gayer than me and second of all, I knew everything he was saying was complete crap. I left the session drained and exhausted. It was that same day that I became comfortable in my own skin; I became an individual.

Individual, what does that mean anymore? We always hear people telling us to be ourselves and not be afraid of what people think, but the funny thing is that

less than appealing. Seriously. Ask anyone on the street one simple question: "Do you think that a person should be true to themselves?" I can guarantee you that nearly everyone will say yes. Now let's say the person asking the question was a female who felt more comfortable dressing up like a man. She takes the advice of the person she questioned, dresses like a man and gets looks of disgust. Funny how in our society individual, average and normal are synonymous.

I don't want to turn this column into one of those heartless self-help stories, but honestly, appreciate who you are. It kills me to think that so many of my peers here at UNO are living their lives to make other people happy. I once met an interesting guy who told me he was gay. We went out for some drinks and I later came to find out that he planned on never coming out of the closet due to an affiliation with his college campus. I was so saddened over the situation, but he isn't alone. There are people out there blending in with their environments, making other people happy and denying themselves any truth, all to give others comfort and satisfaction.

As you enter this semester, please be proud of your individual identity. I'm glad I don't fit into the standard "white male" equation. I'm different and I'm thankful for that. If all of us accepted who we truly were, we would come to find that "fitting in" and acceptance from others wouldn't even be an issue. There would be no standard or normal way of living for comparison; everybody would embrace his or her differences.

Eleanor Roosevelt once said, "Everybody is an individual, nobody can be you. You are unique. No one can tell you how to use your time. It is yours. Your life is your own. You mold it. You make it."

I'm an individual, are you?

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### How Typical



Michael McManus

## Labeling is high-school reasoning

### Sinister Slant



Scott Stewart

"Liberal" is a dirty word in this country. The liberal media, bleeding-heart liberals, ivory-tower liberal elite—some of us wonder what these phrases could even mean.

In reality, though, their meaning is not nearly as important as their usage. The real meaning behind these words lies between the lines.

These phrases are used like many other hateful labels that one encounters on the elementary school playground. They are used to short-circuit arguments and categorically dismiss unfamiliar ideas.

Of course, the left is not without its fair share of such language. Just consider the terms "neoon," "baby killer" or "cryptofacist." Each one of these terms is used to dismiss conservative ideas, even while the left maintains that they're more open-minded than their conservative brethren.

Ideas and persons should be judged on the basis of their merits, arguments on the basis of logic and rhetoric. Not labels.

That said, progressive individuals must be aware of the systematic manipulation of the English language against their political ideals.

Consider the classic example, namely

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will receive an F in the class and possibly be suspended, as well.

We are adults and deserve to be treated as such. We are paying students and every dollar spent on tuition, books and Mav Hockey sweatshirts is a dollar earned by single moms busting their tails to send their kids to college and single moms busting their tails to send themselves to college to make their kids' lives better. They are dollars from families fighting to stay afloat and families who budgeted for years to make this happen. They are dollars from taxpayers in this state and country doing their part to keep this community and nation academically afloat. They come from kind benefactors in several

"pro-life" anti-abortion rhetoric. Calling a position "pro-life" tacitly implies that any contrary position is "anti-life" or at least lacking any respect for life, which is untrue.

Many "pro-choice" individuals have a great deal of respect for life, including myself. I abhor killing so much that I'm a vegetarian—I believe taking any sentient life is wrong.

Nevertheless, I oppose anti-abortion legislation out of my belief that morality should not be the focus of legislation and that it should be up scientists, doctors and individual moral agents to decide whether to conduct an abortion.

Does that make me a "baby killer"? I hope not, but I'm sure some people would think so.

In fact, it's a good thing there are people who would think so. Abortion can be a questionable procedure, and it should be the topic of ethical examination.

Knowing that I'm pro-choice, however, should not be grounds to reject, say, my views on vegetarianism. The issues are separate and the arguments distinct.

All too often, though, this sort of generalization occurs. People are called liberals or neocons, and their views are rejected without consideration.

Perhaps my favorite example of the meaninglessness of political labels comes from self-described "radical reformer" Gore Vidal. He wrote, "A liberal is a commie who's also a pedophile. Being a communist and a pedophile, he's so busy that he hasn't got the time to win an election and is odious to boot."

Remember that labels are just labels. Saying a band is "emo" or a person is "preppy" doesn't really mean anything; political categories are just as arbitrarily and inappropriately assigned.

fields of study wanting to create a legacy of learning.

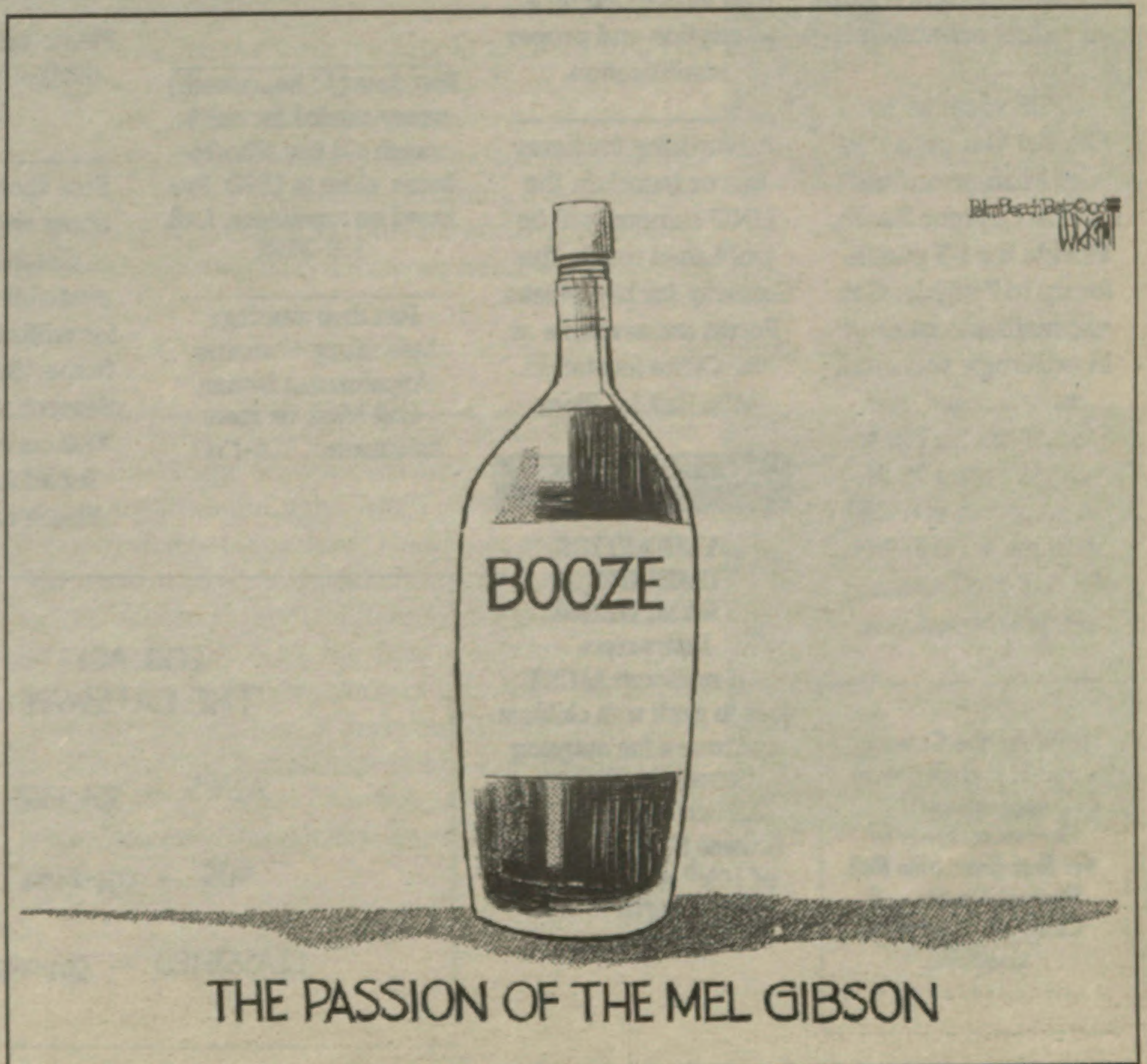
Many of the dollars spent in the athletics department are dollars earned and raised by charitable organizations or concerned individuals that want to see athletes excel in the classroom as well as on the fields of competition. That, too, should be respected. The abuse of these funds is reprehensible.

The mishandling of university funds is unacceptable, even if it "just" \$1 million here or there.

By the way, my parking tickets total about .00006 percent of that. In the big scope, don't you think that's small enough it won't make a difference?



"A lot of cops will ask you to walk a straight line, but not me. I like to see the Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy."











## Advice from experienced Mavericks



Andrew Cumbee, Senior  
Vice President of the Inter-Fraternity Council, President of Lambda Chi Alpha, A&L  
Editor of the Gateway  
Footwear: flip flops

*Get involved.* I'm not only talking about the Greek system, although it has changed my life for the better and is a great starting point. I'm talking about anything possible. Seek out the clubs and organizations tied into your major. Look for the groups that deal with your interests outside of class. Join the clubs people like you.

Being involved opens doors. It gives you lifelong friends. It introduces you to your future competition for jobs and your future co-workers. And above all, it gives you the skills and knowledge you need for life; The skills and knowledge that you could never get from going to class or working at that dead end job.



Rita Henry  
Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Services  
Footwear: one pump and one orthopedic boot (for now)

It is a great time to be at UNO! But, as with all things, your experience is what you make of it. So, my advice to you is: Get involved in a student organization, fraternity/sorority or student government. Take care of yourself physically: eat a balanced diet, exercise regularly and do what you need to stay healthy. Be prepared for class: read the assignments and ask questions in class. Be respectful of the other members of the campus community – faculty, staff and students. Perform community service – be a part of something that makes a difference in someone's life. Get to know faculty, staff and students from other cultures. Choose your friends wisely. Make sure you are doing something to be nice to yourself!



Beth McGill, Senior  
UNO Soccer player, pre-Dentistry major  
Footwear: cleats and shin guards

The start of your college career can be quite a lifestyle adjustment. I am a student athlete and I have found that the skill that is vital to succeeding both academically and athletically is time management. You need to break your semester up into weeks, your weeks into days and your days into half days if necessary. This allows you to successfully deal with a hectic class and sport schedule without going insane. It might take a week or two but you will start to find all sorts of clever ways to save time. For example, making a sandwich and a snack the night before might save you valuable time and money. By money I mean my freshmen year I accidentally smashed through the vending machine trying to knock loose my caught Runts. That ended up costing me more than the dollar I anticipated.



Michael Skau  
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Footwear: athletic shoes

1. You should work especially hard in your first-year writing courses: these classes can teach you how to shape and express your ideas effectively and can also provide you with strategies of organization and development that can help your writing seem intelligent even when you have little to say.

2. You should not count on last minute cramming: many subjects have become so complex that, if you fall behind early, you will keep falling further behind.

3. You should not depend only on the Internet for your research. Take a walk on the wild side: read a book or two.

4. Head On: Apply directly to the forehead.

In college you'll occasionally feel like nameless and faceless. But, you and I both know that you're not. Prove it. Be yourself. Dress the way you've always wanted. Color your hair. Get a tattoo. Pierce something. Explore yourself. Find your voice and shout as loud as you can. Let go of your childhood, but not your youth. Stay energetic. Stay true. Stop doubting your abilities. Don't underestimate yourself. Do something out of character. Help a stranger and don't expect to be a hero. Have a good time. Make friends with your opposite. Fall in love. Heal from heartache. Sing without care. Dance in the Pep Bowl. Go to class. Ask for help. Offer to help. Take a fun class. Get math out of the way early.



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Footwear: pink Chuck Taylor All-Stars

The best advice is to get involved, whether it's clubs, sports, or other activities. They really add to the college experience, allow you to meet different people and are so much fun.

Talk to everyone. It's cool to venture out and meet people who aren't like you. You're going to meet some of the greatest friends you will ever have and have some of the greatest experiences of your life. Take advantage of all of it! Don't forget where you came from, know where you want to go and what goals you want to achieve. Share all of this with others. If you developed immature habits in high school like sitting on furniture and making out: Let it go! Oh, and wear deodorant. Seriously.



Sharif Liwaru  
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Footwear: socks

The most essential advice I can offer for students attending UNO is to urge involvement on campus. We are a commuter institution with only a small percentage of students living on campus, making it difficult to connect socially and professionally. The best way to meet new people is to find something you are passionate about and pursue that activity. Student Government was an outstanding fit for me and it has helped shape my communication, leadership, and conflict resolution skills. If Student Government does not interest you, UNO has over 120 student organizations of every subject and domain. Becoming a well rounded individual is pivotal in life pursuits and involvement in college can be the catalyst for your future success. Good Luck!



Steve Massara, Senior  
Student Body President/Regent  
Footwear: running shoes

Four words. You are in charge. From this point on, you are in charge of your own life – the good, the bad, and sometimes the ugly. Many of you have already been in charge – you have families or work full time jobs; but now there is an added element of responsibility – your education. For UNO students it is all about time management. You decide how much time you are going to put into each section of your life – academics, socializing, work, family, and your health. Some areas need more time than others, but as I have said before, it is up to you. Find your balance. Stay on track, try something new and don't be afraid to ask questions.



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